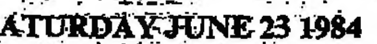
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Teachers call off strikes after winning arbitration

By Richard Garner of the *Times Educational Supplement*

Teachers' leaders called off their strike action yesterday, after eight weeks of school closures, when local education authorities agreed to take their pay claim to arbitration.

The decision took less then an hour once the two sides had resumed negotiations in the Burnham Committee, the teachers' pay barganing body. It ended the most serious disruption schools have faced for 15 years.

Both the TUC-affiliated teachers' unions immediately called off strike action planned for next week. The 235,000-strong National Union of Teachers had planned to bring out 15,000 teachers in 1,200 schools on a three-day strike from next Tuesday.

The 120,000-member National Association of Schoolmasters/Union of Women Teachers had been planning a continuing series of half-day strikes in 15 local education authorities.

However, both unions made it clear that industrial action would resume if there was any attempt by the Government to overrule the findings of the arbitration hearing now to be held. It's decision is likely to be known in about six weeks.

Under the Remuneration of Teachers' Act, 1965, Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Education and Science, can set aside an arbitration award if he can convince both Houses of Parliament that it is in the national economic interest to do so.

After the agreement was announced, Sir Keith, speaking on the BBC Radio 4 programme *You and Yours*, repeated his opposition to arbitration and confirmed that there would be no extra government finance for local authorities to help them to meet the cost of any award.

He added that if extra cash had to be found it would have to be at the expense of teachers' jobs or school books, maintenance and equipment.

That message was echoed by Mr Philip Meridale, the leader of the management side during the pay negotiations, who said that several local education authorities would have been in difficulties just meeting the 4.5 per cent pay offer previously on the table.

Asked if the teachers' strike action had led to the management's change of heart over arbitration and had therefore been successful, he replied: "It has caused the management panel to make a choice between two evils.

"We had to decide whether to continue to allow an honourable profession to tear itself apart, and the relationships in schools to deteriorate to such a level that they couldn't be repaired, or submit this claim to arbitration knowing that in the event of a higher award there would be enormous damage to the education service in terms of cuts.

"If this action in our schools had continued for much longer the damage to the service for which we are responsible would have been irreparable".

Mr Merridale described the arbitration decision as "a defeat for sensible negotiations and a defeat for commonsense".

Mr Douglas McAvoy, deputy general secretary of the National Union of Teachers, who has led the negotiations, described it as a "major success" for teachers and praised his members for their "magnificent response" to strike calls over the last two months.

He added: "It was certainly worth the industrial action but said that the children had to suffer.' We could have got here two months ago without the need for industrial action."

He said that teachers would seek the best possible deal from the arbitrators. "It certainly will be well in excess of 4.5 per cent."

Mr David Hart, general secretary of the National Association of Head Teachers, which represents two thirds of Britain's head teachers, welcomed the decision.

"I think the vast majority of schools will return to normal very quickly. In a small number, an atmosphere of rancour will continue.

"The main thing that has got to be done now is to carry out work which has not been undertaken during the dispute, such as the preparation of end of term reports and marking", Mr Hart said.

France's ties with Moscow less icy

President Mitterrand said after his third and final round of talks with President Chernenko in Moscow that he had made progress despite disagreements over arms control, Afghanistan, Poland and the case of Dr Andrei Sakharov, the dissident physicist. The Soviet press censored the French President's remarks on these subjects.

M Mitterrand said relations between Paris and Moscow were no longer ice-bound. Both sides had shown a desire to move forward Page 6

Carson's title at Royal Ascot

Willie Carson retained the Royal Ascot jockeys' title with a victory on Habibti. Dawn Run, winner of the English Champion Hurdle, triumphed in the French equivalent at Auteuil

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Relief for hay fever sufferers

An effective treatment for hay fever sufferers may be on the way after the identification of chemicals in the body which react to pollen, according to United States scientists Page 10

Budget hopes

France will present two simplified schemes to solve Britain's EEC budget problem at the Fontainebleu summit. Paris believes the formula proposed at the last summit was too complicated Page 6

Wide interest in Portfolio

Tremendous interest has been generated worldwide in *Times Portfolio*, the Stock Exchange game that begins in *The Times* on Monday and runs throughout the summer.

Many inquiries about it have been received from newspapers, particularly in the United States and Canada; various financial institutions also called to find out about the game.

"The interest has been enormous", a spokesman for *The Times* said last night. "The telephones have not stopped ringing."

The game carries a prize of £2,000 to be won each weekday and a weekly prize of £20,000 every Saturday.

It can be played by anyone with a personal share card. These are being distributed this weekend with copies of *The Times* and in *The Sunday Times Colour Magazine*.

Many people who have said they are unused to Stock Exchange dealings have been assured they will be able to play the game without specialist knowledge.

Instructions on how to play and claim are printed in the Information Service on the back page of today's issue.

Pilot killed

A British military helicopter pilot was killed and his copilot was badly injured when they crashed during an exercise near Medicine Hat, Alberta.

Praise for guard

Mr John McWilliams, the security guard shot dead in an attempted robbery in west London; died as he struggled to disarm a raider, his injured colleague said Page 3

Airbus order

Air India is to pay $500m (£367m) for six airliners from the European Airbus consortium, which beat Boeing for the order Page 21

MP's car rule

MPs who claim allowances for using their cars on constituency duties will be asked to provide details of journeys in excess of 25,000 miles a year Page 2

Losey dies

Joseph Losey, the American born film director who worked in Britain and on the Continent from the early 1950s has died in London Page 10

Pym attack on 'futile' East-West diplomacy

By Rodney Cowton Defence Correspondent

Mr Francis Pym, former Foreign Secretary, who recently criticized Mrs Margaret Thatcher's style as Prime Minister, yesterday condemned the way in which East-West relations have been conducted.

Speaking at the annual conference of the Royal United Services Institute in London, he said thre was an "asolute necessity for deeper understanding" between the West and the Soviet block.

"This has not always been a fashionable notion in recent years although some of us have always adhered to it. The style has been acrimonious, bitter and futile. It has increased tension.

"Recently, and mercifuly, the error of this approach has been noticed and a new one begun. But having given ourselves such a hadicap in the first place we must now accomplish exceptional feats of will and diplomacy to reach our goal."

Mr Pym did not specify who he held responsible for the error, but it is bound to be interpreted as a further criticism of Mrs Thatcher, and of President Reagan as well.

Mrs Thatcher dismissed Mr Pym as Foreign Secretary a year ago. He had been the leading spokesman for the cabinet "wets".

In an article in *The Times* today Mr. Pym says the Government has failed to capture the "emotional element" of the middle ground of British politics and has an imperfect grasp of the political realities.

In his speech, Mr Pym said that in relations with the Soviet block "each side has frightened the other as accusation and counter-accusation are shouted across the world to the dismay of every one listening.

"The West has changed its tune now, only to find, – and it should have been no surprise, – that the East has moved in the opposite direction, towards the cold war. That is not going to change quickly or easily".

Middle ground, page 8

Government backs MacGregor tactic

By David Felton, Labour Correspondent

The Government yesterday gave firm public support to the attempt by Mr Ian MacGregor, chairman of the National Coalboard, to break the 15-week miners' strike, and indicated that ministers share his confidence that a return to work will gather pace next week.

Mr Peter Walker, Secretary of State for Energy, voiced the Government's support for Mr MacGregor's strategy of appealing directly to every miner over the heads of the National Union of Mineworkers. "I believe the miners in this country recognize that they are being used for the political purposes of Arthur Scargill", he said on BBC Radio's Jimmy Young programme.

The political conflict in the two main parties' approach to the dispute sharpened later when Mr Neil Kinnock, the Labour leader, accused the Prime Minister of being the "ringleader" of violence on miners' picket lines. He said on a BBC North-east television programme: "My colleagues in the House of Commons earlier this week called her the ringleader of the violence and in a very direct sense Mrs Thatcher is."

As the political arguments continued there were fears about the growing impact of the coal and coke blockade of steel plants. Supplies at Llanwern in south Wales were said to be in a critical state and local miners' leaders appealed to railway workers to "black" deliveries of iron ore to the complex next week in retaliation for the British Steel Corporation's decision to take coal into the plant in convoys of lorries yesterday.

Leaders of the NUM and the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation are to meet next week to seek an agreement on the level of deliveries to the steel plants, but Mr Bill Sirs, ISTC general secretary, said last night that he was not optimtic that an accommodation would be reached.

Steel union leaders were angry that the miners, backed by transport unions rejected Mr Sirs's appeal for the blockade to be lifted during the talks.

The transport unions have threatened to halt iron ore supplies to the steel plants if the ISTC does not agree to NUM demands that sufficient coal should be allowed only to maintain blast furnaces but no production. A decision to implement that threat would quickly lead to the shutdown of many furnaces at the five intergrated plants.

Mr Scargill, president of the NUM, said last night that the NUM had decided to take out a private summons against the Northumberland policeman seen on television repeatedly hitting a picket with his truncheon. The union's action comes after the decision of the Director of Public Prosecutions that no charge should be brought against the officer.

Fuel supplies low, page 2



A smiling Mrs Brenda Barber, waving to well-wishers outside the hospital.

Heart-lung operation mother goes home

By Thomson Prentice Science Correspondent

Eleven weeks after receiving a new heart and lungs, Mrs Brenda Barber, Britain's only survivor of the rare operation, left hospital yesterday.

Mrs Barber, aged 36, looked healthy and sun-tanned in a red summer dress. She smiled and waved with her husband, Stephen, as they said goodbye to staff at Papworth Hospital, Cambridge. Two other women and a man are now awaiting similar operations at the hospital, a spokesman said, and five other patients have been referred for assessment.

Two previous heart-lung transplants have been done in Britain, both at Harefield Hospital, west London. Both patients died within three weeks.

Mrs Barber said yesterday she was most looking forward to being back at home in Lewisham, south London, with her husband, who is a businessman, and her daughter Samantha Jane, aged five.

She had been seriously ill with fibrosis, which caused severe congestion in her lungs and in turn weakened her heart. Lung transplants on their own have a high failure rate.



Mr Stephen Barber: Ordeal is over

Huge blast wrecks Soviet missile dump

From Trevor Fishlock, Washington

Western intelligence officers are trying to find out how much damage was done when huge stores of missiles at a Russian naval base were destroyed in an explosion.

It was so severe that intelligence agencies thought at first it might have been a nuclear blast. It is believed that between a quarter and a third of the Soviet Northern Fleet's stock of surface-to-air missiles were destroyed, according to a report in the *Washington Post* yesterday. A number of cruise-type missiles were also blown up.

Although the explosion may have caused serious damage and loss of life locally, defence specialists doubt that the fighting effectiveness of the Northern Fleet has been reduced. The weapons can be replaced without great difficulty, and the East-West arms balance has not been affected.

The Northern Fleet headed by an aircraft carrier and includes 148 cruisers, destroyers and other ships, and 190 of Russia's 371 submarines, including 45 nuclear-powered ones.

The Defence Intelligence Agency and the Central Intelligence Agency here would not comment on the explosion, but a spokesman at Nato's European command said the reports were "substantially accurate". The explosion was detected by a spy satellite.

Intelligence officers are as satisfied as they can be that the explosion was accidental. Intelligence agencies are interested not only in the extent of the damage and the effect on readiness, but in what the incident tells them about safety procdures in Russian arsenals.

According to the *Washington Post*, a source said the explosion was the worst in a series of blasts at Russian military installations during the last six months. But he would provide no information about the others.

The explosion occurred a month ago at Severomorsk, which lies on the Kola river, north of Murmansk. The town is about 900 miles north of Moscow and 60 miles east of the Norwegian border. It is a supply base for the Northern Fleet, the headquarters of which are in Murmansk.

● Western missile experts have been surprised by the reported size of the explosion (our Defence Correspondent writes).

Missiles are normally stored in carefully-designed magazines, often underground, and with enough space between them to limit the scale of an accident.

They are usually stored with their warheads inert.

One theory advanced yesterday about the cause of the accident is that while missiles were being moved, one may have been dropped, causing two chemicals to mix, producing a spontaneous fire.

Unita frees Czechs for a high price

From Richard Dowden Jamba, Angola

Twenty Czechoslovak hostages arrived in Johannesburg from Angola yesterday. Their captors, the Unita rebels, had scored another diplomatic victory in drawing a senior Czechoslovak Government minister to their bush headquarters to witness the hostages' release.

The rebels may also have seriously damaged the Eastern block's aid programme by possibly putting an end to the supply of Czechoslovak technicians to help the left-wing MPLA Government in Luanda.

Mr Stanislav Svoboda, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs, said in Jamba that, he could not guarantee that Czechoslovakia would continue to send aid workers to Angola. He said there were only eiht there

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Maxwell buys Express group stake

By William Kay, City Editor

Speculation mounted over the future control of Fleet Holdings, the *Daily Express* group, when Mr Robert Maxwell announced yesterday that his Pergamon Press had bought a key 10.15 per cent stake in Fleet.

This makes Pergamon the biggest shareholder. The stake was sold by Bell Group, an Australian company run by Mr Robert Holmes à Court.

Mr Maxwell said: "This purchase has been made by Pergamon as a strategic long-term investment securing a significant interest in a major newspaper and communications group."

Mr Maxwell met Lord Mathews, the chairman of Fleet Holdings, to inform him of the deal. It is understood to have been a brief but friendly meeting, in which Lord Mathews welcomed Pergamon as a new shareholder.

The value of the deal has not been disclosed, but it was reported to be close to yesterday's stock market price of 196p per Fleet share. That would suggest an overall consideration of about £16.5m.

Mr Maxwell, aged 61, has made no secret of his desire to own a national newspaper. The immediate expectation is that he will use the stake as a platform for a fall takeover bid. If, as is likely, such a bid were resisted the eventual price could be more than £200m, well within the reach of Pergamon which

Mr Maxwell has also been linked with a possible bid for Mirror Group Newspapers. Sources close to Pergamon were at pains to point out that the Fleet stake did not automatically rule out a bid for the Mirror group.

GLC freezes £1m opera grant in 'racism' row

By Angela Gordon and Bryan Appleyard

The future of the English National Opera was in danger yesterday after the Greater London Council froze its £1m grant on the grounds of suspected racism.

The move follows a report in *The Times* Diary on Thursday, which disclosed that the ENO had turned down a black singer, Willard White, for its production of *Rigoletto*.

In a letter, leaked to the Diary, the opera's planing administrator, Mr Nicholas Hooton, said that Dr Jonathan Miller, the director of the production, "does not believe a black Monterone or Sparafucile to be feasible in our *Rigoletto*." Instead, he offered Mr White a part in another opera, *Dalibor*.

Willard White: "Shocked" by opera's letter.

On June 7 Mr White's agent, Mr Tom Graham, replied to Mr Hooton accusing Dr Miller of taking a "racist stand".

"Opera," Mr Graham wrote, "has been colour blind for the last 40 years."

Mr Hooton wrote back defending Dr Miller's decision: "It hardly amounts to a 'racist stand.' Mr Hooton added the ENO also had "considerable reluctance" to cast Mr White in *Rigoletto* on masical grounds.

Yesterday's decision to withhold the opera's grant, the largest awarded by the GLC to any arts body in London, was taken by Mr Peter Pitt, chairman of the arts and recretion committee. He said: "it reads to me like blatant racism. I find it wholly outrageous, insulting and unacceptable. We are deadly serions about our anti-racist stand. We made our stand on Zola Budd and we will do it on this."

Mr Pitt said he was convening an urgent councel meeting, and proposed to investigate the correspondence. He would not speculate if he planned to withdraw the grant, but said he was seeking legal advice.

Yesterday Mr White said he was "shocked" when his agent read him the letter, and "deeply regretted" that it came from the ENO. "But I must retain my backbone and stand up to it. I don't think it is ENO policy – it can only be one person's idea. I have had this sort of thing before. I know I cannot work for certain companies because of my colour."

His agent, who has three other black opera singers on his books, said: "I have often been told that producers will not accept blacks because it is not dramatically credible. It happens all too frequently when the producer involved comes from a non-operatic background."

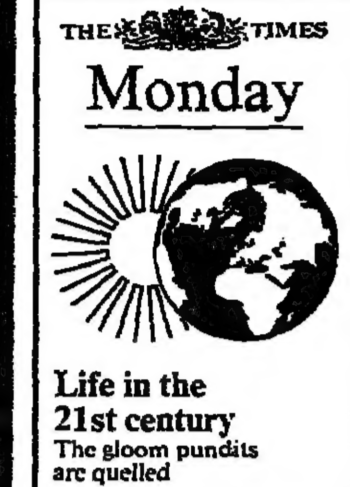
The English National Opera, whose managing director is the Queen's cousin Lord Harewood, is, along with the Royal Opera House Covent Garden, the most highly subsidized arts organisation in the country. Of its total spending this year of around £10m, £5.9m will come from the Arts Council, £1.02m from the Greater London Council and the remainder from the box office.

ENO has been one of the major success stories of the subsidezed arts sector. Its central policy is to present world class opera in English using British singers.

ENO's financial structure means that it is highly sensitive to any change in its subsidy income.

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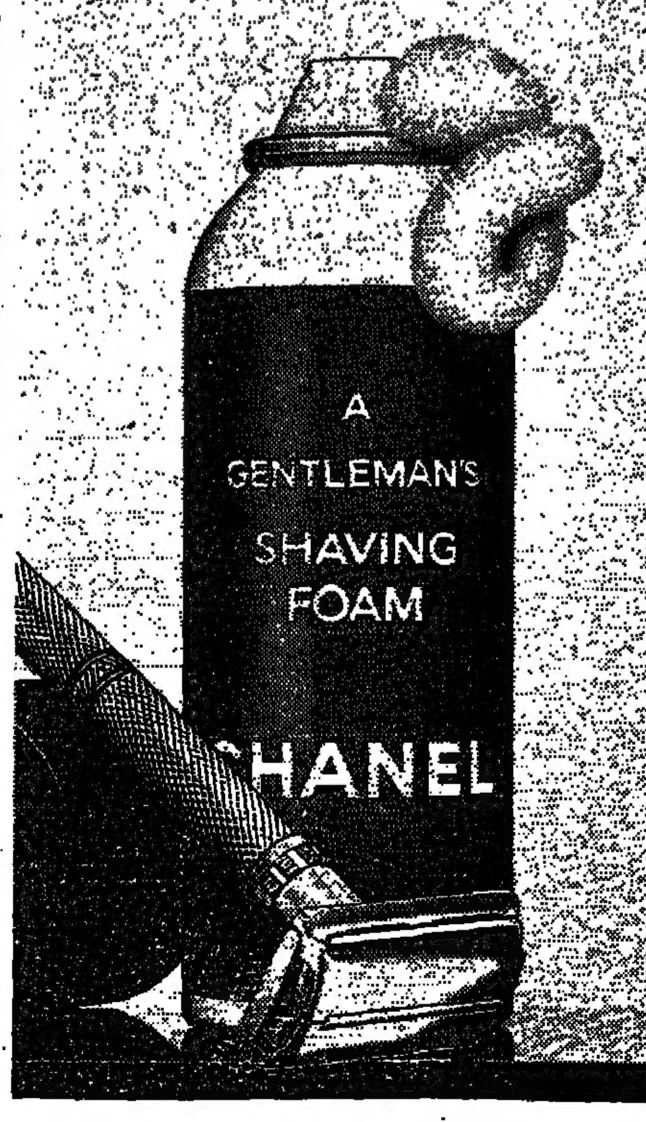
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Complaints on property adverts up fourfold

By Christopher Warman
Property Correspondent

Complaints to the Advertising Standards Authority about property advertisements increased fourfold last year, according to the latest statistics published by the authority.

The sudden jump put property complaints among the top 10 categories complained about, sixth in the list headed by advertisements about cars, car accessories, and garages. Another category to emerge from obscurity was furniture and furnishings, about which complaints increased from about 30 to 49 during the year.

Complaints about property advertisements were up from "about 13" in 1982 to 57 in 1983, the authority said yesterday. Although the Authority cannot go into details about the complaints about new property.

Most of the complaints refer to advertisements in newspapers by building firms pressing the claims of their new developments and apparently extolling their virtues without mentioning andy possible disadvantages.

There have been examples of the sort that describe home in idyllic terms such as "situated in the deep countryside surrounded by nature-filled woodland", without mentioning that the houses are also in the main approach Flight path of bomber jets.

Most of the complaints about furnishings concern fittings in kitchens and bathrooms, which customers feel in many cases are not quite as luxurious as they are made out to be.

BT shares plan for subscribers

The Government has authorized a multi-million pound advertising campaign to sell British Telecom shares to ordinary telephone subscribers. It is due to begin at the end of August and will continue until the company's flotation in November.

The Government intends to sell 51 per cent of the corporation in the late autumn, but it is keen on encouraging telephone subscribers and employees to participate in the sale. Subscribers are to receive details in their telephone bills.

Cambridge fees rise rejected

Cambridge dons last night rejected by 275 votes to 209 a proposal from the Council of the Senate to raise fees for overseas students to £400 above the nationally recommended minimum, which would have kept Cambridge as the most expensive British university for such students.

The extra fees would have provided an additional annual income of between £300,000 and £400,000, but the proposal led to deep divisions within the university.

Lecturers wait

The Court of Appeal in London reserved judgment yesterday on the attempt by lecturers at North London Polytechic to overturn a High Court decision that they should identify picketing students who prevented Mr Partick Harrington, a National Front official from attending lectures.

Rig victim

The third man killed in Thursday's North Sea oil rig blaze on the Shell Brent-Bravo platform, east of the Shetlands. Was named yesterday as Mr Michael Francis, aged 39, of Stirchley, Birmingham.

Correction

A report about the Royal Hospital Chelsea (June 19) said that candidates for admission need to have an Army disability pension. Normal qualifications include either an Army service pension or an Army disability pension.

Overseas selling prices
Austria Sch 29; Belgium B frs 50; Canada $2.75; Canaries Pes 170; Cyprus 700 mils; Denmark Dkr 8.50; Finland Mkk 8.00; France Frs 7.00; Germany DM 3.50; Greece Dr 100; Holland Gl 3.40; Irish Republic 40p; Italy L 2200; Luxembourg Lf 38; Madeira Esc 125; Morocco Dir 8.00; Norway Kr 8.50; Pakistan Rps 18; Portugal Esc 125; Singapore $6.50; Spain Pes 170; Sweden Skr 8.50; Switzerland S Frs 3.00; Tunisia Din 0.700; USA $1.75; Yugoslavia Din 100

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Computer link-up for Tories in strategy to win more votes

By Colin Hughes

Conservative Party organization and campaigning strategy is being radically reorganized with the aim of reviving constituency associations and preventing embarrassing defeats such as the Portsmouth South by-election last week.

The National Union of Conservative Associations has agreed plans presented by Mr John Gummer, the party chairman, which will redefine the role of party agents and establish a direct computer link between members, voters and policy makers.

Central Office have delayed presentation of the plan until after the European election, when some of the new methods were piloted. Party leaders also hope they will forestall increasing discontent, notably among younger new Conservative MPs, over the party's poor performance at several by-elections, from Crosby to Stafford.

Over the past week many Conservative MPs and party officials have blamed the Portsmouth defeat, in a constituency they had held since 1918, on the long decline of a local association which became apathetic and moribund.

Although factors peculiar to Portsmouth contributed, the local association's slump in membership from 6,000 to 1,000 over the past decade is seen as the significant long term cause of 10,000 traditional Conservative voters in the city failing to turn out, thereby enabling the Social Democratic Party-Liberal Alliance candidate to win.

As membership declined and funds ran dry, Portsmouth South shed its fulltime agent and sold its headquarters and organization devolved on to a small and divided group of local activists.

Many Portsmouth South members disagree with that analysis and attribute the defeat to the selection of an outsider, Mr Patrick Rock, in preference to a local candidate, Mr Frederick Emery-Wallis, the leader of Hampshire County Council.

The main concern for Conservative MPs however, is that up to 200 local parties suffer declining membership and funds or are dominated by elderly cliques. Mr Gummer's plan is to identify weak and vulnerable associations, and direct the efforts of area agents exclusively towards helping them to rebuild. Instead of being are representatives of Central Office, the agents will become full-time advisers to the association.

Areas and constituencies will be provided with computers which will profile voters and membership and supply detailed information on attitudes to policy.

They will also help direct mailing so that individual queries by members and voters can be answered rapidly. In the long term the party leaders expect the new system directly to affect policy decisions.

As one senior Central Office official put it: "When the Prime Minister asks us what the party thinks we will no longer be passing on the subjective impression of a handful of active members. We will actually be able to provide figures on what out voters think."

Area agents were first briefed on the moves earlier this year, but letters did not go out to associations until after the national union decision in London on Thursday.

Resistance is most likely to come from members who resent Central Office interference as a threat to their independence. As one disaffected Portsmouth official said: "The party is becoming an arm of government, when its strength should lie in remaining separate. Constructive criticism is no longer acceptable.

New plans forecast for GLC

By Hugh Clayton
Local Government Correspondent

Mr Alan Greengross, leader of the minority Conservative group on the Greater London Council, predicted yesterday that ministers would make more changes to their decision to abolish the authority.

He believed that most Londoners supported his group's plan for the present council to be replaced by a smaller elected assembly instead of the collection of nominated boards and borough functionaries proposed by ministers.

"I am convinced that the Government will examine this next", Mr Greengross said. He was commenting on an article in *The Times* yesterday stating that the Government was prepared to extend the life of the GLC and the metropolitan county councils next year until the Bill to abolish them had passed into law.

Mr Kenneht Livingstone, the council's Labour leader, said that the new appach was one of "the chinks slowly appearing in the Government's armour". But extending the life of his council would not meet the central criticism that the Government was trying to deprive Londoners of the right to vote next year.

Rule change will hurt pensioners

By Nicholas Timmins
Social Services Correspondent

Almost two million people on long-term supplementary benefit, many of them pensioners, will be worse off in real terms as a result of rule changes announced last Monday by the Government.

Figures released by Mr Rhodes Boyson, Minister for Social Security, show that 1.4 million claimants, including 80,000 families with children, will receive between 50p and £1 a week less than they would otherwise have done, and a further 400,000, including 20,000 families with children, will lose up to 50p a week.

The savings to the Department of Health and Social Security over a full year wil total £86m.

Mr Brynmoor John, Labour MP for Pontypridd, said the rule change would mean that 78 per cent of long-term supplementary benefit claimants would have their benefit trimmed.

"Many pensioners will find that their rise this autumn fails to match inflation," he said. "For some the increase will be as little as 1.8 per cent, instead of the 4.6 per cent needed to match price rises."

Morning Star dismissal provokes staff revolt

By Rupert Morris

Journalists at the *Morning Star*, Britain's only communist daily newspaper, are in revolt over the dismissal of one of their colleagues, an alleged lack of consultation over the paper's survival plan, and the management's public statements which conflict with the view of the Communist Party executive.

Mr Michael Smith, national organizer of the National Union of Journalists, saw the paper's management yesterday to argue for the reistatement of Mr Bill Wainwright, aged 74, the semi-retired science correspondent, who was told last week that his services were no longer required.

Mr Wainwright and Mr George Matthews, a former editor of the *Morning Star* and latterly its opera critic, were both asked to leave after they had become increasingly identified with a campaign by the Eurocommunist leadership of the British Communist party to remove the editors and move the *Star* away from its hard-line, pro-Soviet stance.

A statement by Mr Gordon McLennan, general secretary of the Communist Party, calling for the reinstatement of Mr Wainwright and Mr Matthews, was not published yesterday by the *Morning Star*, which referred to "the discontinuance of a consultancy arrangement".

Sale room

£141,428 for salt-cellars

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

Jacques Koopman, the London silver dealer, sent prices spiralling up in Sotheby's New York sale on Thursday, just as he has been doing in London recently. He met serious competition from a private collector on a set of four silver salt-cellars in the form of shells supported mermen, made by Paul Storr in 1813, and had to pay $198,000 (estimate $30,000 to $50,000), or £141,428, to secure them.

Koopman favours the most ostentatiously ornamental silver, especially of the Regency period, although his interest will range over other periods when glamour, weight, and quality combine.

The salt-cellars, weighing 132oz and standing 4½ in high, were perfect examples of the type of silver he values most highly.

They were made for Harriet Mellon, Duchess of St Albans, who was an actress and achieved vast wealth by marrying Thomas Coutts, the banker, before settling for the duke.

Koopman also spent $112,200 (estimate $40,000 to $60,000), or £80,143, on a huge parcel-gilt jewel casket made by Marc-Augustin of Paris.



Mr Joe Green (left) who was buried yesterday after a piper had led a procession escorting the coffin through the streets.

Fuel supplies critically low at South Wales steelworks

From Tim Jones, Llanwern

As British Steel Corporation officials admitted yesterday that the fuel supply situation in South Wales was critical, miners' officials stepped back from a massed picket confrontation at the huge Llanwern plant in Gwent.

The miners' leaders concluded that they had no need to mobilize their flying pickets after their researchers had calculated that the corporation could not possibly maintain supplies to the plant by lorry convoys.

Forty-nine lorries drove from Llanwern yesterday to pick up coal and coke from the Port Talbot steelworks 15 miles away. The action prompted an immediate appeal by the miners to the railwaymen to stop the delivery of iron ore to the plant.

The effectiveness of the plea will not be known until Monday, but until now the railwaymen have complied with every request made by the miners.

In normal times four or five trains a day deliver up to 2000 tonnes of fuel in Britain's largest train operation, using 75-tonne trucks. Corporation officials admit privately that the scale of the operation is too big to be handled by lorries.

Without iron ore the blast furnaces at Llanwern cannot be operated in prime condition.

Until they mounted their total blockade on Tuesday on the fuel entering British Steel plants, the miners had argued that each works was able to plead for special dispensation because of the fear that one of them would be closed to comply with EEC directives.

Yesterday there were only 18 pickets outside the Port Talbot plant as lorries, some of them with wire mesh on their windscreens, sped past them into the plant. Miners said that, after the strike was over the haulage companies would be blacked.

Injuries to police total 412

The number of police officers injured in England and Wales during the miners' dispute between March 14 and June 20 was 412, Mr Douglas Hurd, Minister of State, Home Office, said in a Commons written answer yesterday.

There were 3,444 arrests in the same period. Of those 3,182 were of miners.

Arrested person's job	No of arrests
Miner	3,182
Retired miner	1
MP	1
Transport wkr	4
Student	36
Health wkr	2
Manual wkr	37
Non-manual wkr	9
Housewives	7
Unemployed	26
Retired (non-miners)	2
Not known/Not given	137
TOTAL	3,444

Offence	No of charges
Riot	84
Unlawful assembly	120
Affray	9
Grevious bodily har	7
Assault occasioning bodily harm	113
Assault with intent to resist arrest	8
TOTAL	341

Flooded pit saved at last minute

From Ronald Faux, Edinburgh

Bilston Glen Colliery, near Edinburgh, among the largest and most modern pits in Scotland, was on the point of ruin yesterday from flooding and the risk of fire when safety cover was restored by the National Union of Mineworkers. The union responded to a warning from Mr Albert Wheelere, Scottish director of the National Coal Board, who told the men that unless cover was restored immediately, the mine would be lost together with 1,800 jobs. There would be no redundancy cash he added.

Safety cover had been removed for 35 hours, which is believed to be the longest any British pit has been left unattended and at the mercy of flood water and pressure.

Mr Wheeler's warning was at first rejected by the union as scare-mongering. The union withdrew cover after coal was produced at the pit earlier this week when a group of miners crossed the picket lines, and demanded an assurance which Mr Wheeler refused to give, that no further attempt would be made to cut coal.

The union has agreed not to remove safety cover again during the strike and the board has insisted that provided the pit is safe to produce coal and the men are available, mining will begin again next Monday.

When it was made clear to the men that the colliery had deteriorated to a critical state, safety workers went below ground where flood water had reached a depth of eight feet in places, severely damaging equipment. There was also a high risk of fire.

Coal supplies to Ravenscraig steel works near Motherwell continued yesterday as convoys of lorries drove into the works past the token picket of miners.

Union takes out private summons

The National Union of Mineworkers took out a private summons yesterday for assault against the policeman seen by television viewers using a truncheon on a picket outside the Orgreave coking plant on Monday.

The Director of Public Prosecutions had decided against taking action against the officer from Northumbria who has not been named.

Scargill at head of the funeral

By Craig Seton

Mr Arthur Scargill led 8,000 miners throughout Britain at the funeral yesterday of Mr Joe Green, the second striking miner to die during the dispute, who was killed in an incident with a lorry on a picket line a week ago.

The long procession of miners marched through the centre of Pontefract, West Yorkshire, behind a brass band to join a smaller funeral procession of Mr Green's family, friends and colleagues from the Kellingley Colliery, near by.

The body of Mr Green, aged 55, who was unmarried and moved to Yorkshire from Scotland in the 1960s was first taken through Knottingley, where he lived, with a Scottish piper playing the lament *Flowers of the Forest*. In the background was the huge Ferrybridge power station wehre Mr Green was one of five pickets when he was killed last Friday as a lorry was going through the main entrance.

The service took place in the chapel of Pontefract Crematorium. The grounds outside were packed with thousands of miners who listened to the service being relayed by loudspeakers.

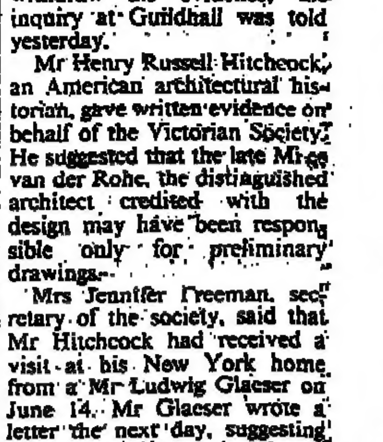
Among the wreaths was one from the family of David Jones, aged 24, who died while picketing at Ollerton Colliery, Nottinghamshire.

Outside the chapel, Mr Arthur Scargill, the president of the National Union of Mineworkers, said: "We owe it to the memory of Joe Green and David Jones to win the fight to keep pits open, jobs secure and our mining communities intact and make no mistake, we are going to win."

"With over 3,000 miners arrested and 1,000 hurt, some of them badly, and two killed, the price we are paying is a heavy one

● Five striking miners yesterday ended their 60-hour long protest sit-in at the top of winding gear at Whitwell colliery, North Derbyshire. They were immediately arrested.

Mies tower inquiry told of visit to witness



By Charles Knevitt
Architecture Correspondent

An attempt was made to persuade a witness opposing the planned Mansion House office tower in the City of London to withdraw his evidence, the inquiry at Guildhall was told yesterday.

Mr Henry Russell Hitchcock, an American architectural historian, gave written evidence on behalf of the Victorian Society. He suggested that the late Mies van der Rohe, the distinguished architect credited with the design may have been responsible only for preliminary drawings.

Mrs Jennifer Freeman, secretary of the society, said that Mr Hitchcock had received a visit at his New York home from a Mr Ludwig Glaeser on June 14. Mr Glaeser wrote a letter the next day, suggesting that Mr Hitchcock should withhold his comments.

She read out the letter from Mr Glaeser, which contained the address of Mr Stephen Marks, the inquiry inspector, a suggested text for Mr Hitchcock to sign and arrangements for Mr Glaeser to pick it up and send it to London by courier last Monday — the day before Mr Hitchcock's evidence was submitted to the inquiry by the society.

Mr Hitchcock refused to sign the suggested text, Mrs Freeman said. She demanded a statement from Mr Peter Palumbo, the developer behind the scheme, and a list of all witnesses who has been "troubled in this unorthodox manner". She would be writing to the Secretary of State, Mr Patrick Jenkin.

Mr Raymond Sears QC, for the Greater London Council, one of the main opponents of the scheme, asked the inspector to condemn this approach to a witness. He said: "There have been threats of libel [against Mr Hitchcock] and all sorts of things."

Mr Peter Boydell QC, for Mr Palumbo, said that he knew nothing of any letter until it had been mentioned by Mrs Freeman; it was a "peripheral matter" o the inquiry. He understood that Mr Hitchcolc had expressed a wish to withdraw the term "preliminary" in his reference to the drawings. This was denied by Mrs Freeman.

Last night a spokesman for Mr Palumbo said that Mr Glaeser had been asked to approach Mr Hitchcock to establish whether he had made the comments attributed to him. Mr Hitchcock should not be described as a full witness because his letter was stating simply a personal view.

How much the design can be attributed to Mies is becoming one of the key issues in the inquiry. On Thursday Mr John Harris, curator of the drawings collection of the Royal Institute of British Architects, challenged Mr Palumbo to produce Mies's original designs.

South Bank project 'alive'

Mr Cedric Price, the architect, announced yesterday that he would continue his study of ways to brighten up London's South Bank, even though the Greater London Council, which commissioned it, had pulled out.

He had received letters of support from Sir Roy Strong, director of the Victoria and Albert Museum and Mr Clive Jenkins, General Secretary of the Association of Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staffs. The GLC blamed the Government's abolition plans, rate-capping and the 1984/85 Money Bill for not going ahead.

MPs claiming £12,900 a year in car expenses

By Julian Haviland, Political Editor

MPs who claim milage allowances for travelling in their cars on constituency duties will be asked to give the Commons authorities detailed particulars of journeys in excess of 25,000 miles a year for which they claim.

Those whose cumulative journeyings reach that limit will receive reimbursement to the value of £8,775 a year in accordance with new scales recommended by an independent inquiry, which Mr John Biffen, Leader of the House, supported yesterday.

The new scales are based on the RAC schedule of motoring costs, which are revised in April

The inquiry, under the chairmanship of Lord Peyton of Yeovil, a former Conservative Minister of Transport, "noted with surprise and concern the apparently high level of mileage claims made in a few instances".

But a handful of claims was yesterday described as "astoundingly high", with one or two exceeding 50,000 miles a year.

At present MPs are able to claim on the higher of two Civil Service scales, set last October. The civil servant can claim at 25.8p a mile up to 9,000 miles, and 14p thereafter.

The evidence to Lord Peyton's inquiry therefore indicates that a few MPs have been claiming at an annual rate of £12,900, for 50,000 miles, since October.

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Helicopter link to end: district councils get airports

CIVIL AVIATION

The licence for the Heathrow-Gatwick helicopter link is to be revoked four months after the opening of the relevant sections of the M25 are completed, Mr David Mitchell, Under Secretary of State for Transport, announced at the conclusion of a Commons debate on civil aviation.

He said the environmental disturbance caused by the helicopter link was such that there could be no justification for allowing its continued operation once the relevant section of the M 25 was built and an alternative fast coach service became feasible.

Mr Nicholas Ridley, Secretary of State for Transport, earlier announced that after the abolition of the metropolitan county councils, their interests in airports should be transferred directly to the district councils and not transferred to the joint boards, as originally suggested in the White Paper, *Streamlining the Cities*.

Following consultation, he now proposed to invite the district councils to reach agreement on detailed proposals for the transfer of the metropolitan county councils' interests directly to them and for the continued running of the airports.

He also said that the Government might legislate to require the larger local authority airports to become public limited companies. It was Government policy that airports should not in general be subsidized but that they should be operated on a fully commercial basis. Some local authority airports did take a commercial approach but more could be done.

He was not proposing to require the introduction of private capital into local authority airports but he hoped local authorities would recognize the advantages of introducing schemes involving private capital voluntarily.

He had asked the Civil Aviation Authority to conduct a review of civil aviation policy and the structure of the UK civil aviation industry to explore all possibilities for increasing competition and fairness. He hoped to have the CAA's report soon.

It was essential to transfer British Airways to the private sector and he looked forward to seeing that next year.



Mitchell: Service causing disturbance

The London airports could not be treated in isolation from one another as they were all part of one system. The Government had therefore decided against privatizing them separately and would be looking at various options.

Mr John Prescott, chief Opposition spokesman on transport, said the desire to rush the sale of British Airways constituted a major threat to civil aviation and there was good reason to believe that it could be to the distinct disadvantage of the taxpayer.

However measured, air fares in Europe were far too high. He welcomed that BA along with B-Cal were to the fore in attempting to reduce fare levels. Agreement of the countries involved was needed and he was anxious to study the details of the recent announcement covering KLM.

If KLM had been given rights to land anywhere the possibility existed that they would be in direct competition with other British carriers.

The policy of the Government had led to wasteful duplication of some services and neglect of others. The possibility of fare wars could undermine the financial viability of some airlines. They awaited the civil aviation review with some anxiety.

Mr Cranley Onslow (Woking, C) said he hoped the new commercial drive in British Airways would not be allowed to go too far. A guarantee was needed that when BA was privatized it would not be allowed to compete unfairly.

Yesterday he met the managing director of an independent airline who told him that he had just learnt that in going out to quotation for charter prices for the 1985 season BA was undercutting the market average by at least £1 a seat.

That was only explicable on two grounds: either BA did not know anything about the market or they were going in for predatory financing. He thought the latter.

Mr Michael Colvin (Romsey and Waterside, C) said the proposal that a slice of BA's routes should be compulsorily sold off to another airline made no sense. It would be a socialist sort of intervention that would emasculate the airline's earning potential.

British Airways, by its own efforts, had changed itself from a lame duck into a golden eagle. Now was not the time to clip its wings.

Mr Sydney Bidwell (Ealing, Southall, Lab) said the present BA pension scheme was generous. The unions had advised their members to have nothing to do with the new one which removed rights from workers in different ways according to whether they were very young or very old. It would be thoughtless of a young BA worker to enter the new scheme because it cut his ultimate benefits.

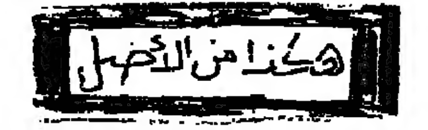
Mr Robert McCrindle (Brentwood and Ongar, C) said they had to reduce the barriers to competition among British airlines, and the bogus competition between BA and its foreign opposite numbers in the shape of pooling agreements and to question whether route transfers could be justified.

Mr Ian Wrigglesworth (Stockton South, SDP) said there was a powerful case for removing some routes from BA. They had too dominant a position in the market and would not be easy to restrain once out of the public sector.

● The report stage of the Juries (Disqualification) Bill, which would disqualify those with criminal convictions from serving on juries for ten years, was completed in the House of Lords. An amendment, which would disqualify those who had completed a probation order in the last five years from jury service, was rejected by 80 votes to 27

The Ordnance Factories and Military Services Bill, which would allow the factories to be privatized, was read a second time.

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Shot cash guard fought to seize gun, injured colleague says

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter

The security guard shot dead in an attempted robbery in west London died as he struggled to disarm one of the raiders attacking him, his injured colleague disclosed yesterday.

Mr John McWilliams, aged 39, was shot in the head as he delivered £9,000 to offices of the British Oxygen Company in the Great West Road, near Brentford, on Thursday. Mr Patrick Breem was wounded in the leg and face by the raiders who fled empty-handed.

From his hospital bed Mr Breem, aged 43, described the attack and Mr McWilliams' last moments in an interview with *The Standard*, London's evening newspaper.

As he spoke police ballistics teams were examining two guns recovered by police including the one which Mr McWilliams had been trying to seize.

Mr Breem said he and his colleage left their Securicor van, went into the company building and were by a lift as a raider struck. The man, wearing a crash helmet, fired almost straightaway.

The guards were told to drop the money bag they were carrying but Mr Breem threw it into the open lift. Mr McWilliams grabbed the gunman's arm.

"They struggled falling together to the floor of the lift", Mr Breem said. "I waded into help. I made a grab for his gun hand as well and we were both holding it. I could see him desparately trying to turn the gun".

"A shot went off and John was hit in the face. He was bleeding from the mouth and nose and getting weaker but he would not give up. He just continued to fight", Mr Breem said.

Mr Bremm pulled the gunman away and went on fighting him across the foyer of the offices. Then a second gunman appeared at the window of a goods entrance and fired through the glass.

The second man had been waiting outside on a stolen motorcycle and the man Mr Breem had been grappling with managed to run out, jump on the pillion and escape.

Det Chief Sup Bernard Hodgetts said the motorcycle, recovered with a second gun shortly after the raid, had originally been stolen from central London in May. It had been found by police in Stanmore, Middlesex, and then vanished again.

Mr Hodgetts said when stolen vehicles were found and had not been used in crime the owner was told of their whereabouts and asked to collect the vehicle. It was possible that the 400cc Honda had been stolen a second time earlier this month.

The motorcycle, with an old courier's jacket in the pannier, was found about a mile from the raid. Mr Hodgetts said an office worker at BOC had joined the struggles and been injured in an incident in which four bullets were fired.

A Walther PPK semi-automatic was found in the office foyer and a Smith and Wesson .38 was found with the motorcycle.

The guns will be examined to see whether they have been used before. Mr Hodgetts said there had been a number of robberies in west London in past months in which a motorcycle had been used.



Princess Margaret with Sara Coward, who plays Caroline Bone, and Arnold Peters (Jack Woolley).

Princess Margaret joins The Archers

Princess Margaret turned actress last night when she visited Ambridge to star in a episode of *The Archers*. The first member of the Royal Family to act in a television or radio programme, she plays herself in the story appearing as president of the NSPCC centenary appeal at a gala fashion show at Grey Gables country hotel.

She told the cast regulars Jack Woolley and Caroline Bone: "What a lovely place this is. It really is a beautiful part of the world."

Princess Margaret, who made special mention of the appeal, agreed to appear on the show after the Duke of Westminster, chairman of the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, had been "signed up" for the gala fashion show in aid of the charity.

Jack Woolley, played by Arnold Peters, and Caroline Bone, played by Sara Coward, went to Kensington Palace to record the episode with Princess Margaret.

Decision to kill wife 'taken on visit to honeymoon hotel'

Michael Telling's decision to kill his bisexual wife was made when they spent a weekend together at the London hotel where they had stayed during their honeymoon, a psychiatrist told Exeter Crown Court yesterday.



Dr John Hamilton: "He is not insane".

Dr John Hamilton, consultant forensic psychiatrist and medical director at Broadmoor, said that during interviews in Exeter prison, Mr Telling, aged 34, had told him he thought up the plan while he and Mrs Monika Zumsteg-Telling stayed at the Hyde Park Hotel to try to patch up their marriage.

Mr Telling has pleaded not guilty to the murder of Mrs Telling, aged 27; his plea of guilty of manslaughter by reason of diminished responsibility was not accepted by the Crown.

Dr Hamilton said the reason Mr Telling gave for the killing was the way his wife belittled him and taunted him over his sexual prowess.

Dr Hamilton was giving evidence on the fourth day of the trial in which Mr Telling, of Lambourne House, Radnage Lane, West Wycombe, Buckinghamshire, is alleged to have murdered his wife between March 27 and September 24 last year.

Dr Hamilton said Mr Telling told him that early in March last year he had contacted his solicitor asking him to start divorce proceedings, which Mrs Telling had resisted "for financial reasons". He had gone to Australia without his wife, but returned after a week to meet her at the Hotel.

Mr Telling told the doctor that the shooting took place between 8am and 10am on March 29, and described how he had kept the body first in the lounge, then in a bedroom, before taking it to a summerhouse sauna outside.

The body remained there for several months, but when Mr Telling learnt that the Vesty Trust – of which he is a beneficiary – wanted to redecorate his house he dumped it near Exeter after cutting off the head with an axe.

While in prison Mr Telling had been largely cooperative, but Dr Hamilton felt there were times when he was not answering truthfully. He could detect no sign of organic brain disorder, or symptom of serious psychotic illnesses.

His own initial impression of Mr Telling was of an extremely talkative man. "The essence of his talk was to portray himself in the best possible light and to portray Monika, his victim, in the worst possible light."

"I believe he is not insane – and I don't believe his mental condition in any way borders on insanity", Dr Hamilton said.

"This cocking of the rifle twice and the firing of the three shots again underlines to me the cold-blooded, calculating way in which he killed her."

Leader of kidnap gang is jailed for 18 years

Charles Pitts was yesterday jailed for 18 years for organizing the kidnapping of Mrs Shirley Goodwin in an attempt to extort ransom from her husband, said to be well known in the London criminal world.

Mrs Goodwin, aged 39, was seized in April last year and kept for six days, blindfolded and bound, in a holiday chalet in the Isle of Sheppey in Kent.

At the end of a six-week trial a jury yesterday convicted Pitts, aged 42, of Tatum Street, Walworth, south London, of robbery, kidnapping, blackmail, and false imprisonment.

His son-in-law, Sean McDonald, aged 23, of Deacon Way, Walworth, was cleared of kidnapping. But he had pleaded guilty to false imprisonment, blackmail, and robbery and was jailed for eight years by Judge Lowry.

Four masked men burst into her flat at Pennetworth Close, Hackney. A shotgun barrel was pressed against her cheek and she was forced to open a wall safe and hand over £1,500. She was eventually released in Mitcham, south London.

Pitts was arrested after the gang – some of whom are still on the run – collected a parcel that they believed contained £10,000 but which in fact contained only £5,000.

Solicitors prepare their adverts

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

As solicitors took stock of their new-found freedom to advertise services and charges, the consumer lobby yesterday celebrated the profession's change of heart, for which it has fought over many years.

Sir Gordon Borrie, director-general of fair trading, said he hoped that other professions which were still "clinging to their advertising restrictions" would follow the example of the Law Society, which voted on Thursday to relax restrictions.

Mr David Tench, legal officer of the Consumers' Association, which has been in the forefront of the campaign for advertising by solicitors, said: "It is an extraordinary turnabout. Less than a year ago, I called for an end to the conveyancing monopoly and for solicitors to be able to advertise and got a hostile reception. Now they have both come about.

Advertising would benefit the public, encouraging people who had previously found solicitors unapproachable to seek legal advice.

Meanwhile, solicitors in England and Wales were examining how best to make use of the new freedom to advertise their services and charges from October 1.

There will be stringent restrictions: advertisements must be in good taste and not likely to bring the profession into disrepute. They will be limited to the press and to radio, and there must be no price or other comparisons with other solicitors.

Solicitors are free to spend what they choose on advertising.

Mr Graham Lee, Law Society secretary of public and professional relations, said: "An extreme example of what would not be allowed is the Wisconsin lawyer who advertises on television, with his firm's name across his T-shirt, saying he will defend any motoring offence and, if the client loses his licence, he will given a bicycle free".

Some firms are well abead with their plans. Mr Michael Simmons, of the London firm of Malkin, Cullis & Sumption, said his firm was already talking with public relations consultants. Although these might charge as much as £3,000 a month, it "might well be worth it".

Such companies could devise ways to bring the firm of solicitors more into the limelight "other than by having a knighthood", he said. Another idea was to advertise the firm's international work in the free magazines distributed on airlines.

But smaller firms were more cautious. Mr Brian King, of the Chester firm, Wayman Hales, said: "I envisage doing very little unless competition forces it and we are losing out by not advertising. Perhaps the most would be an advertisement in the *Cheshire Observer*".

Doctors may relax rules

By Nicholas Timmins
Social Services Correspondent

Family doctors are taking the first tentative steps towards a very limited format "advertising" their services in the wake of this week's decision by the Law Society to allow solicitors to advertise.

At present almost any form of advertising by a doctor is a disciplinary offence that could result in his being struck off by the General Medical Council (GMC).

However, a Royal College of General Practitioners (RCGP) working party is to present a report to the college this September arguing that patients should be given details of special services family doctors provide, for example, family planning, home deliveries, antenatal clinics, and child care clinics.

The GMC has agreed that more information should be available to patients and is to examine the report. But it is opposed to the information drawing attention to more specialized services, such as psychotherapy or hypnosis.

Dr Bill Styles, honorary secretary of the RCGP, said the working group felt that patients, particularly those new to an area, should have more information about what local doctors offer, before having to choose which doctor to go to. "At the moment they ask neighbours and their chemist and that sort of thing."

'Fun' airline takes to the skies

By Philip Webster

Virgin Atlantic, Britain's challenger for the cut-price North Atlantic airline market, took off yesterday with a razzmatazz befitting an enterprise owned by a pop music multi-millionaire.

Mr Richard Branson, head of Virgin Records, and Mr Randolph Fields, the American lawyer who is chairman of the new airline, appeared at a Gatwick press conference before the maiden flight to Newark, New Jersey, 10 miles from New York, with a promise to make flying fun.

Mr Branson, aged 33, dressed in pilot's uniform, said that the new firm would enliven journeys across the Atlantic with good films and good music – "a memorable, enjoyable experience".

Mr Fields said: "Airlines have got awfully boring. With us flying will be a fun experience."

Passengers on the 465-seat Boeing 747 200B yesterday had the first taste of that with performances on board from an illusionist, a juggler, and a pop group.

The new airline has already taken almost £3m in ticket sales and needs a load factor of between 70 and 75 per cent to break even.

The fare charged will be £99 one way until the end of this month. Between July 1 and September 15 it will go up to £119 one way, with a £10 weekend surcharge on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. From September 16 it will be £110 one way, with no weekend surcharge.

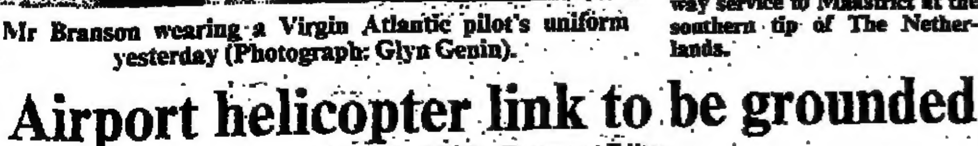
The forward cabins in Virgin aircraft are designated "quiet zones" and there is a separate section for families with children and suitable entertainment such as cartoon films.

Passengers get a four-course hot meal with wine, afternoon tea, and soft drinks.

There is a first class cabin with sleeping accommodation for eight, private bar, personal steward, free helicopter and limousine service on arrival, and cuisine prepared by Maxim's of Paris (total price £1,013).

Lift-off yesterday came after a race against the clock to be ready on time. Virgin received clearance from the US Civil Aeronautics Board earlier this week, and was granted its air operator's certificate by the Civil Aviation Authority only on Thursday.

Virgin expects to succeed in its application for a £20 one-way service to Maastrict at the southern tip of The Netherlands.



Mr Branson wearing a Virgin Atlantic pilot's uniform yesterday (Photograph: Glyn Genin).

Airport helicopter link to be grounded

By Michael Baily, Transport Editor

The Government delighted environmentalists yesterday by refusing to allow the Heathrow-Gatwick helicopter link to continue once the M25 links the two airports in 1985-6.

Mr David Mitchell, Under-Secretary of State at the Department of Transport, said in the Commons that the environmental disturbance caused by the service was such that its continuation could not be justified once the M25 permitted a fast coach link.

His decision to overturn last year's approval by the Civil Aviation Authority of a further ten-year licence for the service was welcomed by residents along the 25-mile route.

"It will be a great relief to thousands of families who suffer considerable annoyance and even distress from the helicopters", Mr Brendon Sewell of the Gatwick Area Conservation Campaign said. "We have always said coaches can provide just as good a service, and a more frequent one."

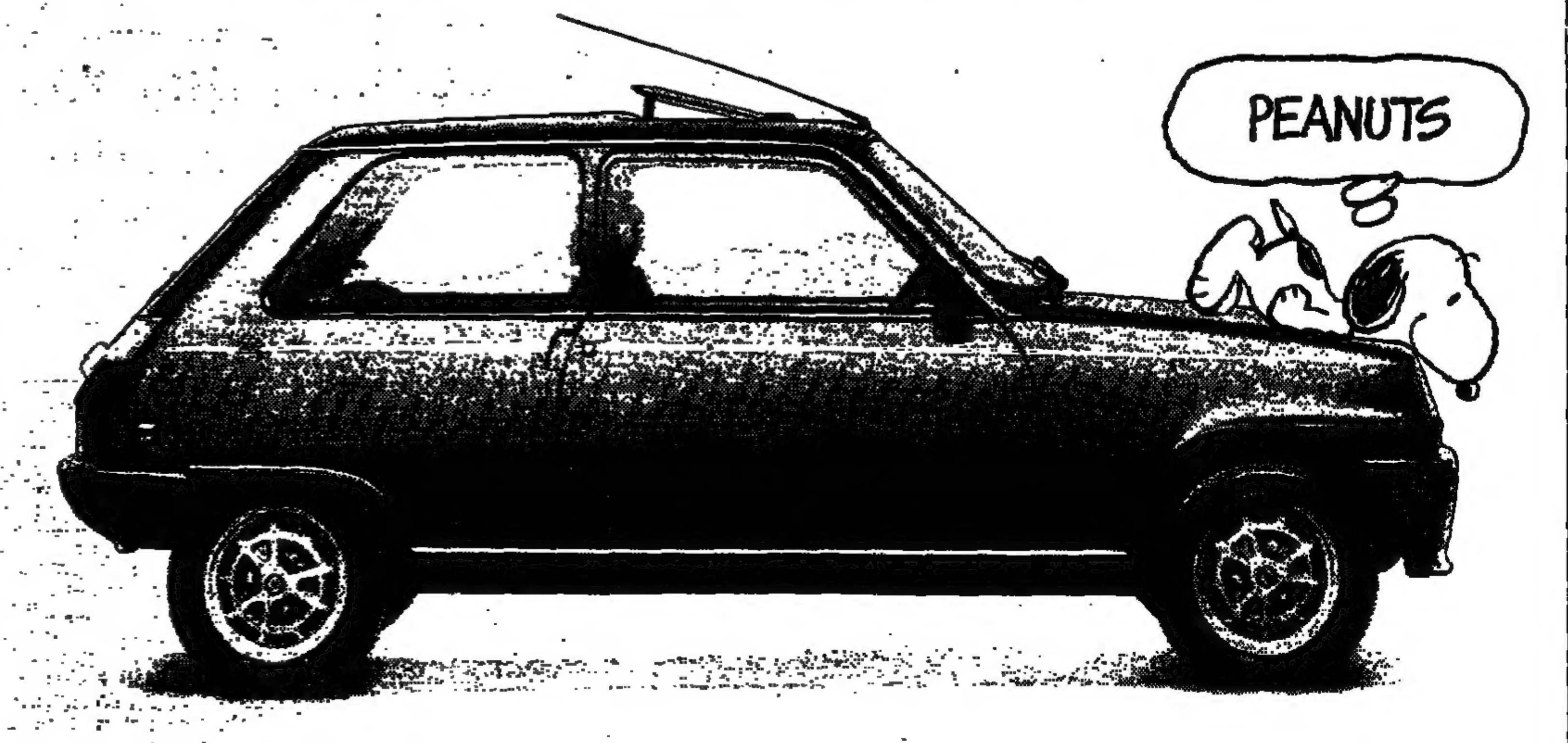
Operated by British Airways, British Caladonian, and the British Airports Authority, the helicopter service carries about 80,000 passengers a year on ten flights a day.

The operators argued that it was essential for long-haul passengers who might otherwise change flights in Paris or Amsterdam.

Coaches can complete the journey in about 30 minutes, compared with 15 minutes by helicopters, which will be allowed to operate for a further four months once the motorway link is open to allow for a smooth transition.

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I do not support shoot-to-kill policy in Ulster, judge says

From Richard Ford, Belfast

An Ulster judge who praised the actions of three Royal Ulster Constabulary officers he found not guilty of murdering an unarmed terrorist denied yesterday that he supported a so-called "shoot to kill" policy.

Lord Justice Maurice Gibson, the second most senior judge in Northern Ireland, said he had decided to clarify his views because of widespread publicity about parts of his judgment and comments made by the press.

Only five journalists summoned to the Court of Appeal in Belfast, heard the judge, aged 71, take four minutes to read a prepared statement.

His remarks, he said made after acquitting the three RUC officers earlier this month of murdering Eugene Toman, had related to the particular circumstances of that occasion and should not be read out of context.

The statement said that in some quarters further words of his had been thought to mean that he contemplated that the police force might be regarded as entitled to mete out summary justice by means of the bullet.

"I do not believe that on any fair analysis my words were capable of that interpretation. Indeed, nothing was further from my mind, nor would I or any other judge contemplate for a second that such a view was tenable," the statement added.

In his judgment at Belfast Crown Court, the judge had commended the three police officers, whom he described as "absolutely blameless". He added that those who brought the prosecution had not considered the additional dangers faced by the accused.

The statement said that police officers, like every other member of the public, had no right in any circumstances to use more force than appeared reasonably necessary, having regard to all the circumstances as understood by them.

Lord Justice Gibson believes that his statement now ends the controversy, although Mr John Hume, Social Democratic and Labour Party MP for Foyle, is to meet the Lord Chancellor, Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone, on Monday to discuss the original judgment.

Since the acquittal the judge has been criticized by the Irish Republic's Government, the Roman Catholic bishops in the North, nationalist politicians, some solicitors, and the media.

The judge cleared three officers of murdering Mr Toman

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New role for Mitchum

Actor turned lecturer: his career began in 1943 as a bit player in *Hopalong Cassidy* films. This weekend, about 140 films later, Robert Mitchum, of the hooded eyes and menacing manner, is in London with his wife, Dorothy, ready to field questions from the fans at the National Film Theatre where he gives *The Guardian Lecture* tomorrow afternoon.

Mitchum has had 20 of his films shown in the current NFT season; a print of one, *Ryan's Daughter*, has to be flown in from Australia. There are two still to be released here – *The Ambassadors* and *Maria's Lovers*. Tomorrow he will talk about his costars and his favourite directors, notably John Huston. He might also discuss the first film he ever made, *Hoppy Serves a Writ*. (Photograph: John Voos).

Russians join key pollution debate

From Michael Binyon, Bonn

Europeans and North Americans are to make their most determined effort yet to fight air and water pollution when ministers and senior officials from the communist and non-communist world meet in Munich on Monday at the start of a three-day conference on the protection of the environment.

Chaired by Herr Friedrich Zimmermann, the West German Minister of the Interior, it is seen here as a important Bonn initiative to prevent acid rain and get concerted action to reduce pollution. Thanks to the Greens and the strong ecological movement, Bonn has made the environment one of its political priorities.

The Germans are also especially pleased that the Soviet Union, East Germany and other East European nations have decided to take part and see this as a tribute to Bonn's determination to maintain an East-West dialogue.

A total of 29 countries will take part and officials from four international agencies, including the United Nations and the European Community. Britain will be represented by Mr William Waldegrave, Under-Secretary of State at the Department for the Environment, the United States by Mr William Ruckelshaus, administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, and the Soviet Union by Mr Y. A. Israel, chairman of the State Committee for Environmental Control.

In press briefings beforehand, Herr Zimmermann outlined the seriousness of the threat by pointing to the dramatic increase in damage to Germany's forests. Whereas in 1982 only eight per cent of the woods were affected, this rose within a year to 34 per cent. This year it is estimated that almost half of Germany's forests are damaged or dying.

Although scientific proof was still lacking, everything indicated this was caused by air pollution in conjunction with other factors. Equally alarming trends had been shown in the pollution of rivers and lakes, and in 30 years more damage had been caused to buildings and cultural monuments than in the past three centuries, Herr Zimmermann said.

The conference will assess the latest research into the causes and spread of pollution and attempt to draw up common strategies to enforce environmental control. West Germany is particularly interested in gaining the cooperation of Eastern Europe, where pollution is especially severe but little has been done to reduce noxious industrial effluents which are borne across borders into the West.

The Germans are also glad the British are attending. There was considerable annoyance here that Britain, alone among the main West European countries, did not attend the Ottawa Conference last March which agreed a 30 per cent cut in the emission of sulphur dioxide.

Bonn claims much of Europe's pollution is blown by westerly winds from Britain and has been disturbed by the British Government's apparent belittling of the problem.

The participants at Munich have been set six main targets: the intensification of international cooperation in research into damage to woods, lakes and buildings; a broadening of the Ottawa agreement; a pledge to reduce nitric oxide emissions; the introduction of lead-free petrol and the cutting of exhaust fumes; the economical and rational use of energy; and international insistence on using the best technologies to reduce emissions at source.

Herr Zimmermann would not point an accusing finger at Eastern Europe or anticipate how much East-West cooperation might be possible. He hoped for declarations of intent but said agreements on concrete measures would not be easy.

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Reagan man in nude spa scandal

Republicans fear setback in Senate November poll

From Nicholas Ashford, Washington

When two Iowa radio stations recently blared out the news that Senator Roger Jepsen, a born-again Christian and Reaganite conservative, had visited an X-rated "health spa" in 1977, the reverberations were soon felt at the Republican Party's national headquarters in Washington.

Senator Jepsen is one of 19 Republican senators who are up for reelection in November. The Democrats are planning a big offensive to regain control of the Senate, which they lost in the 1980 Republican landslide. The Republicans have a 55-45 majority, which has let them push key aspects of Administration policy through Congress.

At the beginning of this year, before the primary campaign got under way, some Democrats were predicting that they could wrest back control of the Senate in 1984. This now seems unlikely, particularly as some Republicans who were seen as vulnerable are looking more secure.

However, the Republicans are concerned that the loss of even one or two seats in November would leave the Democrats in a strong position to regain control in 1986.

Even before it was disclosed that Senator Jepsen had visited a spa that offered "nude modelling, nude encounters and nude rap sessions", he has emerged as the most vulnerable of all Republican senators.

Since his election in 1978 he has dropped a number of political and personal clangers. He has also been battered by Iowa's reeling farm economy, which has not yet enjoyed the

Senator Helms: Close race with rival

recovery that has reached most other parts of the country.

The health spa incident is seen as the final blow to his reelection prospects. Although he sought to limit the damage by admitting he had made some "real mistakes" before making a "personal commitment to Christ in 1977", his Democratic rival, Representative Thomas Harkin, now seems certain to win the seat in November unless Senator Jepsen agrees to bow out of the race.

At least half a dozen other Republican-held Senate seats are in varying degrees of jeopardy, whereas the Democrats have only one seat which the Republicans are favoured to win.

The most vulnerable for the Republicans is the Tennessee seat held for the past 18 years by Senator Howard Baker, the majority leader. He has announced his intention to stand down and is expected to be given a senior job in the next Administration, if President Reagan is reelected.

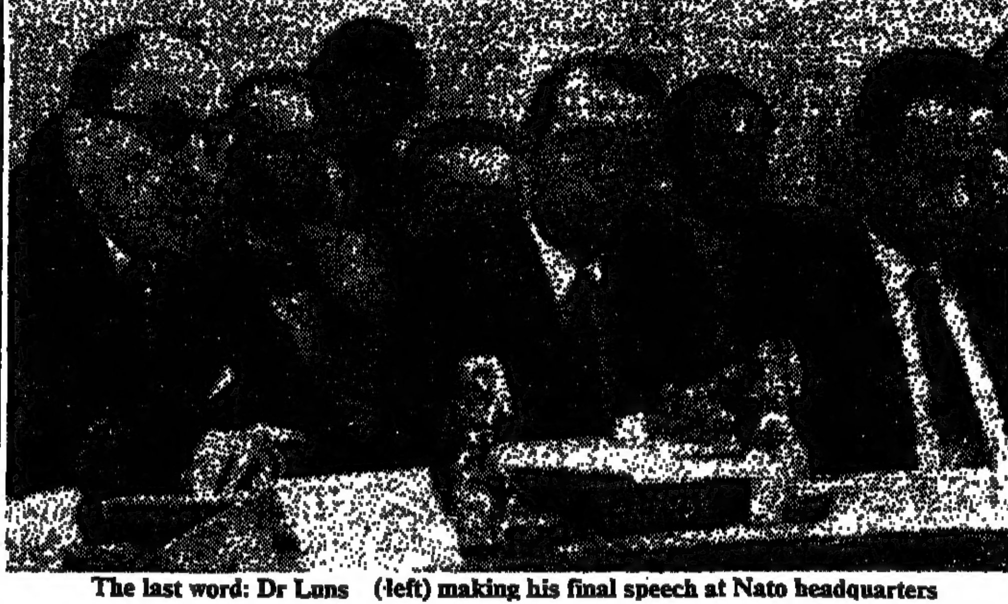
In North Carolina, Senator Jesse Helms, a swashbuckling right-winger and spiritual leader of the neo-conservatives in Congress, seemed to be heading towards almost certain defeat until a few weeks ago. At one stage he was trailing his Democratic rival, Governor James Hunt, by 20 points. According to a new poll, the two are level.

In Texas, normally a solidly Democratic state, there had seemed little chance that the Republicans could hold on to the seat being vacated by Senator John Tower, the dapper chairman of the armed services committee. It now looks as if the Republican candidate, Representative Philip Gramm, a conservative and recent convert from the Democratic Party, will run a close race against his liberal Democratic opponent, Mr Lloyd Doggett.

The Republicans are also worried about the seat in Illinois that Senator Charles Percy, the chairman of the Senate foreign relations committee, has occupied for three terms. He narrowly held on to the seat six years ago and this time faces a strong challenge from Representative Paul Simon, a five-term Congressman and former Illinois Lieutenant-Governor.

Senator Percy has an additional problem in that he has riled Jews with what they see as his pro-Arab tilt.

The one Democratic seat under threat is that being vacated by Senator Paul Tsongas of Massachusetts. Mr Elliot Richardson, who held a string of top positions in previous Republican Administrations, is ahead



The last word: Dr Luns (left) making his final speech at Nato headquarters

Luns bids Nato farewell

From Frederick Bonnart, Brussels

Dr Joseph Luns left Nato after his record tenure of almost 13 years as Secretary-General.

In his farewell address to the North Atlantic Council, he said the West's fervent desire for constructive dialogue and genuine détente was simply not enough in itself. Such fervour in the face of equally persistent rebuffs "can be worse than useless: they can be very, very dangerous".

He emphasized that the Soviet Union could not reciprocate because the concept of "stability" in its relationship with the West was contrary to its doctrine and proclaimed objectives.

It was fine that Western Europe should aspire to greater political weight in the alliance, Dr Luns said, provided this did not undermine the transatlantic security partnership. "From a purely European viewpoint, that partnership will remain indispensable for so long as even the youngest among us here today is alive."

After a few words to Nato staff, he bid farewell to its ambassadors and military representatives and inspected a guard of honour before driving out of headquarters

Million marchers expected in Paris schools protest

From Diana Geddes, Paris

Only a week after its resounding defeat in the European elections, the French Government is to be confronted by another mass display of popular discontent. More than a million people are expected in the capital tomorrow for what is likely to be the biggest demonstration ever held in France.

The ostensible purpose is to protest against the Government's much watered-down plans to bring the predominantly Catholic private schools more into line with the state school system.

However, many people will be joining for purely political reasons in the hope that it might help hasten the Government demise. Tracts have been found describing the march as the beginning of the resistance.

Members of the Opposition, including M Jacques Chirac, leader of the Gaullist RPR Party, will be out in force, while M Jean-Marie Le Pen, leader of the National Front, has called on his followers to march separately under the party's own banner. After some hesitation, the Catholic Church has decided not to participate but to send a message of support in the name of three senior bishops, including Cardinal Lustiger, Archbishop of Paris.

The organizers and all the principal participants have appealed for order and calm, but there are fears that some fringe elements will be out for trouble. About 10,000 riot police have been called in to assist the 25,000 marshals and 1,400 doctors will be standing by. Nearly £200,000 has been spent on arrangements for the march.

The first wave of the march begins at 9 am in two separate processions, one starting at the Gare Saint Lazare, the other at the Gare de Lyon, which will converge on the Place de la Bastille.

High Court defeat for Conteh

Efforts by the former world light-heavyweight boxing champion, Mr John Conteh, to get back into the ring failed in the High Court yesterday when Mr Justice Mervyn Davies refused to order the British Boxing Board of Control to reconsider his application to renew his licence.

He said that Mr Conteh, aged 33, was not entitled to be told why the board had refused the licence in June last year: the board was simply faced with the question of the general suitability of the applicant bearing in mind its concern "to protect the good name of boxing".

It had a duty to act responsibly, the judge said. "In the present context that means, as I understand, that risks ought not to be taken in allowing men to box while perhaps no longer as fit as they used to be".

Mr Conteh was world champion from 1974 to 1977. He has not boxed professionally since May 1980.

In evidence the judge had heard that Mr Conteh went into the restaurant business and when his business collapsed was left with heavy debts. He had also needed treatment for an alcohol problem.

But since 1982 he has battled to get fit

The judge rejected Mr Conteh's claim that the Board had acted in breach of the rules of natural justice and said that on the strength of the medical evidence there could be no "confident expectation that a licence would be granted".

Party race report delayed

By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent

A Labour Party consultation paper on the idea of creating black sections, recognizing black and Asian members as a distinct party group, is to be delayed.

A national executive working party had been expected to complete the paper, setting out arguments for and against, in time for next month's executive meeting.

But a statement issued on Wednesday said that the working party now hoped to complete the document for the annual party conference in October.

One leading Labour black said: "That is a bombshell". It was thought that party leaders might be trying to delay the report in an attempt to defuse the issue. There has been strong pressure, resisted by the leadership, for a full conference debate at Blackpool.

Wednesday's statement said: "The issues are complex and the public debate has become extremely heated. But the working party does not intend to become embroiled in the public controversy since this would prejudice our findings".

Some Labour leaders have no such scruples. One senior frontbencher said that he was adamant in his opposition.

He said that the definition of blacks would smack of apartheid and that those blacks and Asians who were completely integrated within the party, in areas of strong black representation, would suffer.

Risk of drink-drive conviction 'very low'

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

Home Office research suggests that the number of drink-driving offenders is at least 25 times greater than official statistics indicated.

The study, based on a sample of more than 3,000 drivers in England and Wales, calculates that fewer than one in 250 offences are likely to result in conviction. That probably exaggerates the real risks of being caught, according to the results of the study in the latest *Research Bulletin* of the Home Office research and planning unit.

Drivers were asked to recall their experience of drinking and driving over a 14-month period. Almost two in five male drivers aged 60 or under admitted to having driven at least once during that time after drinking enough alcohol to make it likely that most would have failed a roadside breath test.

"Clearly the advice not to drink before driving is often ignored", the *Bulletin* says.

The drivers were questioned as part of the 1982 British crime survey. The results indicate that almost two in five male drivers up to the age of 60 believe they would not fail a breath test after drinking enough alcohol to being most people to the legal limit.

Drivers were asked to give an estimate of how much they could drink before they would fail a breath test. Those who had exceeded the critical level of alcohol gave consistently higher estimates of the "safe" amount they could drink

The survey assumes that five "units" of alcohol is the critical level

Research Bulletin No 17 (Home Office Research Unit, Information Section, 50 Queen Anne's Gate, London SW1H 9AT; free).

EEC milk levy

Farmers fear other states ignore quotas

By John Young, Agriculture Correspondent

The warning given by Mr Michael Jopling, the Minister of Agriculture, to his fellow ministers in Brussels this week that Britain would refuse to implement the excess milk production levy unless it felt that quotas were being effectively applied throughout the EEC articulates the fears of British farmers that other countries will not abide by the rules.

Those fears are strongest about France which, in the words of a National Farmers' Union official, has never really accepted that there is a milk surplus.

If there is, the French believe, it is the fault of the British, who insist on continuing to import New Zealand butter, and the big Dutch producers, who feed their cows on artificially cheap manioc and maize gluten.

The French farmers' union has already said that production cuts for individual farmers are unacceptable, and that if its Government wants to reduce national production it must pay farmers to go out of business.

The 605m francs (£50m) set aside for this purpose is not nearly enough, it says.

About a third of all the milk sold by French farms goes direct to shops or homes and the NFU accepts that those sales will be difficult to monitor.

But it believes that the big cooperative dairies in Normandy and Brittany could easily be monitored.

"What concerns us is the lack of good will to operate the scheme", the official said.

Resentment at the special treatment given to the Irish Republic in the form of an increased national quota has been followed by doubts about whether the Irish intend to take the scheme seriously.



Facing bankruptcy: Mr Leon Downey, musician who turned to making cheese from Jersey milk.

Nearly three months after quotas officially came into effect the Irish Government has yet to decide whether to implement them through the dairies or to set up a national buying organization on the lines of the British Milk Marketing Board.

Farmers are also furious that Italy was granted exemption from the production levy this year on the ground that it was nowhere near self-sufficient, while Britain, which is also a net importer, did not even seek any concessions.

What was intended to be a special gesture to the Mezzogiorno has been extended to the big producers in northern Italy who are just as efficient as anyone else, they say.

The most heavily penalized countries, with Britain, are The Netherlands and West Germany. Both are imposing quotas on individual farmers, but the Germans have made elaborate arrangements intended to protect small producers, mostly in Bavaria, where they are a significant political force.

Denmark intends to impose its 6.7 per cent cut in allowable production through the main dairies, but it is thinking of setting up a single buying body. Belgium, with a 4 per cent cut, is also differentiating in favour of small farmers.

Last October *The Times* carried a report about Mr Leon Downey, former co-principal of the Hallé Orchestra, who had exchanged his viola for a small herd of Jersey cows.

He was quoted as saying that he could not face the prospect of moving from Castle Morris, Dyfed, and starting again, and added that there seemed little risk that he would ever have to.

On Thursday morning he received a letter telling him that he would have to cut back his production to its 1981 level. That means, he says, that he will have to reduce his herd from 14 to 9 cows and will probably go bankrupt.

The irony is that Mr Downey does not sell a drop of milk to a dairy or to the Milk Marketing Board. He uses it all to make cheese on his smallholding, which he sells to visitors to his farm museum.

"My biggest problem until now has been that I can't make enough cheese to meet demand", he said yesterday. "Now what am I going to tell my customers?

"I've had no grants or aid of any kind. I'm an example of someone who, to quote Norman Tebbit, got on his bike and did something. Now my living is being taken away."

Global spending on arms rises by 25% in 10 years

By Rodney Cowton, Defence Correspondent

World-wide military spending has risen by more than 25 per cent in real terms in the last 10 years according to the *World Armaments and Disarmament SIPRI Yearbook* published by the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute.

The 1984 edition, published on Thursday, estimates that last year world military spending was about $750 billion (over £550 billion). In comparison, Britain spent less than £16 billion on defence.

The SIPRI yearbook says that world military spending has been growing at about five per cent a year for the last two years, which is well above the trend for the period since the Second World War.

Much of this increase is explained by the American rearmament programme. If the United States is excluded the volume rise for the rest of the world was three per cent during the last two years.

But, while world military spending has been rising fast, the arms trade major in weapons has not. Since 1980 the trend has flattened out and shows some decline.

The main reason for this is economic. Third World countries are extensively in debt and are in no position to continue big purchases of major weapons. A recent study concluded that about a quarter of the accumulated Third World debt could be explained by weapon imports.

The yearbook records the extent of Argentina's plans to rearm after its losses in the Falklands conflict. "The 75 modern strike aircraft lost in the Falklands/Malvinas conflict are being replaced by 107 new acquisitions, four Hercules transport planes replace the lost one, and 71 Pucara ground-attack aircraft replace the 21 lost."

The picture, it says, is the same for the Army

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Israel faces wave of strikes before poll

From Christopher Walker
Jerusalem

In the run-up to next month's general election, Israel is facing a serious wave of labour unrest which the Government claims is politically motivated by supporters of the opposition Labour Party. The trouble is threatening to black out press, television and radio coverage of the campaign, including election broadcasts.

With the inflation rate running at more than 400 per cent there is a widespread conviction among the public that whichever party wins the poll on July 23 will have to take strict measures to try to rescue the ailing economy.

Radio and Television went off the air on Thursday night with the exception of brief news bulletins and a full strike on the networks is threatened from tomorrow. Yesterday, journalists from all the main Israeli newspapers gave notice of a labour dispute which could stop the presses after the two-week cooling off called for by law.

A breakdown in talks between the Histradut, the labour federation, and the Treasury has added to the atmosphere in industrial chaos, and a public sector strike, involving 60,000 civil servants, threatened for next week.

Among groups already operating crippling sanctions are all members of the Foreign Ministry, including diplomats abroad, postal workers, customs inspectors, income tax employees, atomic installation workers, public sector lawyers and employees of Israel's civil administration in the occupied West Band and Gaza Strip.

So far, the right-wing Likud Government has stood firm in its refusal to meet the various wage demands and a number of the groups have threatened to step up their action from tomorrow. They include the Foreign Ministry employees who say they will no longer process diplomats cables or conduct any meetings outside the ministry, from which foreign diplomats are barred under the existing sanctions.

Also threatening industrial action from tomorrow are 6,000 employees of the Jewish National Fund and the Jewish Agency, whose activities include fostering immigration, and 12,000 people employed in higher education.

● Rebels killed: An Israeli patrol killed two guerrillas carrying out an attack in Lebanon on Thursday night.

Riyadh extends air space to repel Iranian jets

From Robert Fisk, Cairo

At the very moment when Iran seems unwilling to pursue its attacks against Gulf oil tankers, Saudi Arabia has let it be known that it has created a new defensive air perimeter – the "Fahd line" – against intrusion by Iranian jets.

Officially, the Saudi decision allows its pilots to intercept and chase Iranian aircraft far out over the Gulf, although neither the authorities in Riyadh nor the Kuwaiti newspapers, to which the news was leaked, disclosed any details of the new defensive line. In fact, it probably means that Saudi F15 fighters will henceforth be operating up to 40 miles from their coastline.

However, the country's F15s have already been operating at least that far from the northern shore of Saudi Arabia and the reports, given particular prominence in the Kuwaiti daily, *Al Qahas*, were likely to have been encouraged more to boost confidence in Riyadh's determination to defend its allies than to imply any new aggressive posture against Iran.

At the same time, the Saudis have acknowledged that their American-crewed Awacs reconnaissance aircraft have been passing intelligence to Kuwait, something which has been going on for several months.

The Saudis have been upset by Washington's refusal to sell Stinger missiles to the Kuwaitis and fear other Gulf oil states may feel more vulnerable unless Riyadh broadens its own defensive commitment to cover – or obscure – America's reluctance to supply them with more arms.



King Fahd: His new defensive line will allow Saudi Arabia's fighter pilots to intercept and chase intruding Iranian planes far out over the Gulf. The Saudi F15 jets will be operating up to 40 miles from their own coastline

Arab diplomats are saying that the Iranian F4 jet, shot down by Saudi pilots on June 5, was on its way to raid a Saudi oil refinery, a story which quite contradicts the Saudi's own belief at the time, namely, that the Iranian plane was looking for targets among the tanker traffic in the Gulf.

The latest Saudi determination to counter any aggression against its territory might not actually have been so well publicized if Iran's much-trumpeted Ramadan offensive had taken place.

Washington has been the principle source of information about the projected offensive and the Arab states – outside as well as inside the Gulf region – have become increasingly unhappy at the way in which the Americans raised their anxieties over an event which has not taken place.

Arab leaders have since asked for more information about the US satellite pictures which allegedly showed tens of thousands of Iranian troops massing east of Basra.

While the Iranians have claimed that some form of attack is about to take place, the Gulf nations are wondering if they were manipulatred into giving more financial and moral support to Iraq than they would have done if they believed the military front along the Iran-Iraq border was stable.

For their part, the Egyptians are talking of yet another peace initiative involving an international Islamic "peace" army along the frontier between Iran and Iraq.



Confident: Sir Robert Muldoon effecting an unruffled look yesterday after bad tidings from the opinion polls.

Lebanese Army reform deal expected today

Beirut (Reuter) – Lebanon's rival factions held last-minute contacts yesterday to finalize an army reform package regarded by the Government as potentially an important breakthrough towards peace.

The Prime Minister, Mr Rashid Karami, hopes his "National Unity" Cabinet of Christians and Muslims will reach full agreement today on military and security questions that have riven it during its seven-week existence. He said a cabinet meeting on Thursday, the first for more than three weeks, made great progress.

Under the deal the President will replace the Army commander, General Ibrahim Tannous, who spearheaded his bid to use the Amy to reimpose state power, but was defeated when it split along confessional lines in fighting with Muslim militias in February.

Sikh temples opened

Punjab starts to breathe again

From Michael Hamlyn, Delhi

As Punjab inched back to some sort of normality yesterday, further disclosures were made about conditions in the state and activities of extremists before the Army seized the Golden Temple of Amritsar.

Signs of the relaxation were the opening of all Sikh temples to the public (with the exception of the Golden Temple and one other), the freeing of roads to traffic except in Amritsar and Gurdaspur districts, the running of buses and an increase in rail and air traffic.

Mr M. M. K. Wali, the senior civil servant in the Home Ministry, said an inter-ministerial working pary on Punjab is meeting ever day and would reestablish the administration.

It was also reported that a thorough inquiry is being held into the conduct of certain officials, some at a senior level, through whose connivance large-scale smuggling had been carried out.

Officials in Chandigarh, the Punjab capital, revealed that the defence of the Golden Temple had been planned by a retired artillery brigadier, and 17 retired officers above the rank of colonel had played a part.

Mr Wali said the smuggling was almost impossible to stop, but revealed that the Indo-Pakistan border was not the only one involved. Arms were smuggled across the border with another country, but he declined to say which. The choice is not large, however, and includes only China, Nepal, Bhutan, Bangladesh and Burma.

Mr Wali also said the Government did not propose to pull the Army out of the Golden Temple immediately. "You know some arms are being recovered from the complex and some areas have been mined by the extremists," he said.

Curfew after street battle in Bombay

Violence has broken out again in Bombay (Reuter reports). The Press Trust of India said one person was killed and 17 were injured this week after security forces opened fire to disperse rival crowds. A curfew was imposed in the north-west of the city. Last month, about 250 people died in street battles between Muslims and Hindus.

Stylish win predicted by Muldoon

Melbourne (Reuter) – Sir Robert Muldoon, the New Zealand Prime Minister, yesterday predicted he would win the snap general elections he has called for July 14 because voters liked his style.

Despite opinion polls showing his National Party lagging seven per cent behind the Labour Opposition, Sir Robert said on a visit to Aust alia: "I will win again."

He called the election five months early after losing his one-seat parliamentary majority through the defection of one member of his party.

He predicted the vote would largely hinge on his popularity against that of Mr David Lange, the Labour leader.

Sir Robert said he would not retire if he lost the election.

Sri Lanka bars British MPs

UK Tamils to dog Jayewardene visit

By Henry Stanhope, Diplomatic Correspondent

A silent vigil will be mounted by some of Britain's 35,000 Tamils outside the Sri Lanken High Commission on Monday to mark a six-day visit here by President Jayewardene.

He arrives this weekend, less than a week after Amnesty International published allegations of further human rights violations in Sri Lanka – including the deaths of 53 Tamil political prisoners last July during the worst inter-communal riots on the island for a quarter of a century.

However, President Jayewardene recently improved his image in the eyes of a group of visiting British MPs by agreeing to remove the right of his security forces to bury the dead without holding an inquest first.

His Government has long complained that the rest of the world has romanticized the Tamils in Sri Lanka as an oppressed minority, while ignoring acts of terrorism committed by militants – nicknamed the Tamil Tigers.

Although this is officially described as a private visit which the president is making on his return from a state occasion in Washington, he will be able to put his government's view to Mrs Margaret Thatcher and Sir Geoffrey Howe next Wednesday – when he will dine at Number Ten.

There are no plans for him to meet Tamil organizations, although the High Commission says that many Tamils belong to the British branch of Mr Jayewardene's United National Party

The president, aged 78, will also have tea with the Queen and talks with Sonny Ramphal, Commonwealth Secretary-General. He will meet a number of MPs and the British press at a special reception.

He leaves on Friday for Delhi for official talks with Mrs Indira Gandhi – whose cooperation is essential in overcoming Sri Lankan's racial problems.

● COLOMBO: Sri Lanka has refused visas to two British MP's who wanted to investigate alleged human rights violations (Reuter reports).

The acting Foreign Minister, Mr Tyronce Fernando, told Parliament that Mr Dave Nellist, Labour MP for Conventry South-East, and Mr Harry Greenway, Conservative MP for Ealing North, were refused entry because they wanted to interfrer in Sri Lanka's affairs.

He described them as extremists with preconceived notions and said they wanted to inquire into human rights violations, inquire into unrest in the island and sort out Sri Lanka's problems.

Noting that a group of nine British MPs toured Sri Lanka earlier this month, Mr Fernando said the island normally welcomed such visits. But they Mr Nellist and Mr Greenway were coming to interfere in our affairs. Some British MPs seem to think they are still living in colonial times.

Official sources said one of the MPs had planned to arrive in Colombo tomorrow and the other was due to join him a few days later.



Mr Dave Nellist — Mr Harry Greenway

Deng's Hongkong pledge

Peking (Reuter) – Mr Deng Xiaoping, the Chinese leader, assured a Hongkong business delegation yesterday that Peking's policies on the British colony would not change after it recovers sovereignty in 1997.

The New China news agency said Mr Deng met business leaders from Hongkong's three largest trade and industry associations for two hoars. It quoted him as saying: "Some people are worrying whether our policies are correct, no one can change them."

Peking has said Hongkong's political and social system and its capitalist lifestyle will not change for 50 years after 1997, when Britain's lease on most of the territory expires.

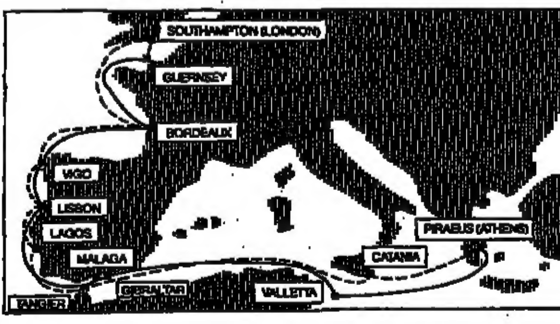
China is trying to maintain business confidence in Hongkong. Mr Deng sent ripples through the colony in May when he contradicted other Chinese leaders and said China would have the right to base troops there after 1997.

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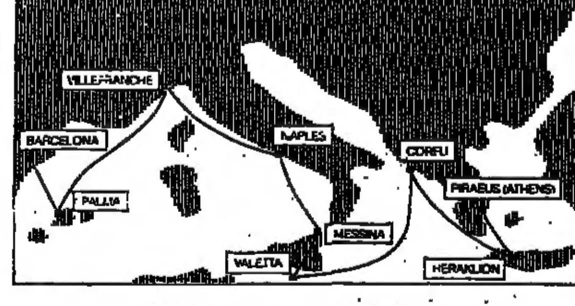
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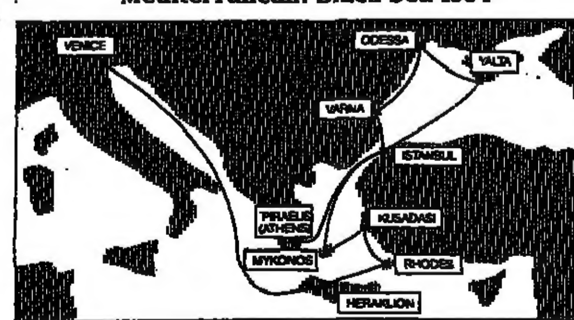
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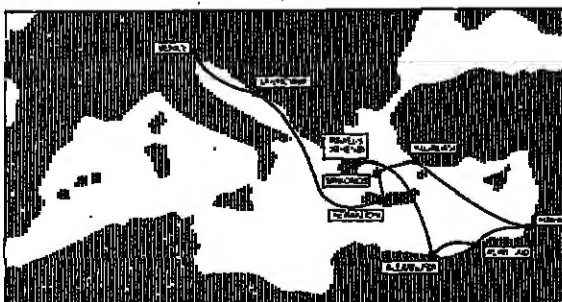
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Mitterrand sees thaw in Franco-Soviet relations

From Richard Owen, Moscow

President Mitterrand of France said yesterday after a third and final round of talks with President Chernenko that he had made progress despite disagreements over arms control, Afghanistan, Poland and the case fo Dr Andrei Sakharov, the dissident physicist. The Soviet press censures M Mitterrand's controversial remarks on all four subjects.

M Mitterrand said his talks with the Soviet leader who is 72 had been serious and thoughtful and both sides had shown a desire to move forward. But the French President avoided suggesting that there were signs of an East-West thaw. He said relations between Paris and Moscow were no longer "ice-bound", and France was trying to "warm things up" while remaining a loyal member of the Western alliance..

President kept his word

A certain pride that France had dared pronounce the name of Andrei Sakharov at a Kremlin state banquet was in evidence in most of the comments in Paris (Diana Geddes writes). People are pleased M Mitterrand kept to his word. "The West has not only the duty but also the right to demand from the Russians that they respect their engagements (under the Helsinki agreement)" said *Le Monde* in a front-page editorial. "That is what M Mitterrand has just done publicly at the Kremlin".

The Communist daily, *l'Humanite* referred on its front page simply to the "constructive" naure of the talks betwen the twl leaders. It dismissed the Sakharov incident to two lines on an inside page, saying the affair had been raised in the context of human rights.

M Mitterrand, who arrived in Moscow on Wednesday, is the first important Western leader to hold substantive talks with Mr Chernenko, who is increasingly seen in the West as the head of an isolationist regime.

At a Kremlin banquet on Thursday night M Mitterrand angered his hosts by telling them they must understand the emotion generated in Europe by human rights violations, which he said undermined the Helsinki agreements. M Mitterrand sited the example of Dr Sakharov.

The French President had earlier raised the plight of Dr Sakharov in his first round of Kremlin talks, but Mr Chernenko refused to respond. At the banquet Mr Chernenko, who spoke first, said Russia would not be lectured on human rights or allow anyone to interfere in its internal affairs. In defence to M Mitterrand, the Soviet leader left out the phrase "those who try to give us advice on human rights only raise an ironic smile here", when he came to the passage, but it appeared in the official text circulated before the dinner and in *Pravda* yesterday.

By contrast, *Pravda* Omitted M Mitterrand's plea for Dr Skharov. It merely said he had "dwelt on the theme of the need to observe human rights in all countries and to respect national sovereignty". The paper also cut M Mitterrand's criticism of Soviet policy in Poland and Afghanistan and his references to the "menace" of Soviet SS20 missiles.

Mr Chernenko's speech appeared in full, including his warning that since France supported Nato missile deployments "actively" it bore full responsibility even though none were on French soil.

Asked why Moscow had not given the Soviet people a full version of M Mitterrand's remarks, Mr Leonid Zamyatin, the Kremlin spokesman retorted that no French newspaper had yet published a full text by Mr Chernenko. M Mitterrand agreed that no French paper had done him the honour of printing his speeches in full either, but said it was regrettable if the essence of his remarks had not been conveyed to Russians.

Diplomats said M Mitterrand had planned to make outspoken comments all along and had not been responding either to lack of progress in the talks or to Mr Chernenko's veiled warnings.

M Mitterrand firmly dismissed a Soviet suggestion that in raising human rights issues he was "speaking with an American tongue". Mr Zamyatin had said after the talks that Soviet leaders "had the feeling the French President was reflecting stereotypes and prejudices which have gained currency in Nato circles." M Mitterrand said human rights had been squarly in the French tradition for centuries. When a Soviet journalist asked how he would feel if Russia commented on internal French affairs, M Mitterrand smiled broadly and said the Soviet press did so all the time, as did the French press.

M Mitterrand said his mention of Dr Sakharov had sent a shiver through Russians at the Banquet, though not through the Politburo. He said there was a fine line between defence of human rights and interference in the affairs of other nations.

Mr Zamyatin said France and Russia were to hold talks on establishing regular political consultations. He said the setbacks in Franco-Soviet relations in recent years could give way to a more stable relationship

Ruling coalition coasts to victory in St Kitts-Nevis

From Jeremy Taylor, Trinidad

The ruling two-party coalition in the Caribbean state of St Kitts-Nevis, led by the Prime Minister, Dr Kennedy Simmonds, easily retained power in Thursday's general election, the first since independence from Britain last September.

Dr Simmonds, who came to power in 1980, increased the coalition majority from one seat to seven, in a Parliament expanded by two seats to 11. His Peoples's Action Movement won six seats in St Kitts, while its coalition partner, the Nevis Reformation Party, won all three in Nevis. The opposition Labour Party of Mr Lee Moore won the remaining two seats, two fewer than in 1980. Mr Moore lost his seat.

Last year's independence constitution provides a federal structure for the two islands, under which Nevis, traditionally the junior partner, enjoys substantial autonomy. Although Dr Simmonds was bitterly criticized in St Kitts for being too generous to Nevis, he is now reaping the political rewards.

St Kitts-Nevis is the second member of the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States to hold premature elections since the body invited last October's US military intervention in Grenada.

In April, the ruling Labour Party of Mr Vere Bird in Antigua also increased its majority. Elections are due in St Vincent next month and in Grenada at the end of the year.



Space mission: The crew of the shuttle Discovery, which is to be launched on its maiden flight on Monday. In front are (from left): Richard Mullne, Steven Hawley, Henry Hartsfield (commander), Michael Coats (pilot). Behind are: Charles Walker and Judith Resnik, who is to be America's second woman to fly in orbit.

British budget hopes raised for Fontainebleau summit

From Ian Murray, Brussels

France has prepared at least two "simplified" schemes for paying Britain an EEC budget rebate, and these are to be presented to the European summit when it meets in Fontainebleau on Monday.

After three sterile months, during which the European election campaign stopped any negotiations, there has been hectic activity over the past few days to arrange a settlement at the summit.

The view of the French presidency is that the formula proposed at the Brussels summit in March was too complicated for the heads of government to discuss. Its very complexity is thought to be a dangerous obstacle to a settlement.

The first of France's new proposals would offer a straight fixed percentage rebate each year. The second would guarantee Britain a basic annual rebate; this would be topped up by payment of a fixed percentage of the difference between this rebate and its own total net contribution. It is thought to be too late to set a new system in motion to cover this year, so a figure for 1984 would still need to be negotiated if either proposal were accepted.

France wants this initial base figure to be no more than two-thirds of what it argues is the total British net contribution. This would in effect be more than 10 per cent below previous payments and would therefore be unattractive to Mrs Margaret Thatcher.

As a sweetener to West Germany, which is unhappy that any settlement will leave it paying most of the Community bills, France is planning to offer it a one-third reduction on its contribution to any British settlement.

Britain is likely to favour the more complicated system which was almost agreed at Brussels. It believes this contains an essential element for a fair settlement in taking into account the relative prosperity of member states. None of the new ideas does this.

The British will also argue that there has been ample time to understand the Brussels proposal, and that to change the whole basis of the discussion at this late stage will make a settlement even more difficult.

US doubts on space war curbs

By Rodney Cowton
Defence Correspondent

General Edward Rowny, chief American negotiator at the Strategic Arms Reduction Talks (Start), said yesterday that he had received no overtures for discussions of anti-satellite systems to be merged with the Start talks.

General Rowny is in London to spread the word that the United States is anxious to resume the talks whenever the Russians agree to return to the negotiating table. He told a press conference that although the US was ready to explore ways of limiting anti-satellite systems, it had yet to see any way of verifying compliance with any comprehensive treaty covering such systems.

There have been suggestions that discussions on anti-satellite systems should be merged with Start, and General Rowny said that although he had received no overtures in that direction he would not turn it down if offered to him – but he was not seeking it.

In the Start negotiations, the Americans have proposed that as new missiles are introduced others should be withdrawn, with the rate of withdrawal of warheads varying according to the type of missile system.

Although it has not been officially revealed, it is believed that they have in mind that two warheads should be withdrawn for every new one deployed in the case of land-based multi-warhead missiles. For submarine-launched systems three warheads would be removed for every two new ones deployed,

Day-trip wrangle

Compromise offer to pacify French

From Diana Geddes, Paris

Fresh compromise proposals put forward by the British Government for a new form of identity document for British day-trippers to France were discussed for more than three hours here yesterday by Mr Raymond Witney, Under-Secretary at the Foreign Office, and M Francis Gutmann, Secretary-General of the French Foreign Ministry.

Mr Witney said the talks had been held in a very helpful spirit and that the French authorities had shown a willingness to listen. But he declined to say what he thought the outcome would be.

The British Government had gone a considerable way to meet French concerns, he said. Britain hopes for a reply before July 7. The present scheme is due to end on that date unless the Governments reach some agreement.

The latest British proposals, which involve the introduction of an excursion document issued at main post offices giving the bearer's name, place of birth and nationality, are aimed at overcoming French objections to the 30-year-old scheme under which British subjects are able to make short visits up to 60 hours without any passport or formal identity card.

The scheme is used by about 1.5 million Britons every year. Talks on alternatives have been going on since last summer. The French authorities complain that the present system makes it too easy for illegal immigrants to enter France.

Under the latest proposals, day-trippers to France would be required to obtain an excursion document costing £2. It would be valid for a month and allow one trip of up to 60 hours during that month.

The document would embody a declaration by the bearer that he or she was a British citizen and would carry a photograph of the bearer, which would have to be certified as a true likeness by a person, such as a magistrate, church minister, lawyer, police officer or doctor.

In addition, a birth certificate of other appropriate evidence to support the statements regarding the bearer's date and place of birth and nationality would be required at the post office before the document was issued.

Each document would contain a warning that making an untrue statement to obtain a travel document was a criminal offence which could lead to a fine of up to £2,000 or six months in prison, or both.

Freedom prize

Paris (AP) – The French branch of the International Pen Club of authors, poets and playwrights has awarded its 1984 freedom prize jointly to Cuban writer Jorge Valls Arango and Soviet cartoonist Vyatcheslav Sysoyer.

Terrorists dump arms on cardinal

Milan (AP) – In an apparent act of surrender, left-wing terrorists left three bags filled with arms and bombs in the office of Cardinal Carlo Maria Martini, Milan's Archbishop, Police reported. The bags contained two Kalashnikov sub-machine guns, three pistols, an automatic rifle, several hand grenades, ammunition and a bazooka rocket.

Police said the weapons were probably part of the arms cache of the terrorist groups, Prima Linea, and Fighting Communist Groups (Cocori) whose leaders and members are on trial in Milan. Some defence lawyers in the trial claimed that the delivery of arms looked like a good will gesture engineered by one of the suspects on trial, Ernesto Balducchi. He is being charged with criminal association and membership of armed bands and might be questioned about the arms delivery next week.

Papal warning on alcoholism

Rome (AP) – The Pope, describing alcoholism as one of the worst plagues of modern society, called for an urgent international effort to deal with "untold suffering and anguish" caused by alcoholism.

"Physical deterioration, at times even to the point of death, psychological disorientation and spiritual problems are concrete consequences of alcoholism", the Pontiff told a Vatican audience granted to participants of an international conference on scientific, social and moral aspects of alcoholism.

Author home



Gerald Brenan, the British author aged 90, smoking a Spanish cigarette after returning from a brief stay in a London old people's home to Alhaurin el Grande, near Malaga, where he has lived for more than 60 years. The Andalusian authorities will help to defray the cost of his medical care.

Fire killer jailed

Amsterdam (Reuter) – Joseph Lan, a Soviet-born Israeli, was sentenced to 12 years' jail for starting a fire at an Amsterdam sex club last year which killed 13 people and injured 25.

Napoleon's cash

Alexandria (Reuter) – Divers have recovered coins and muskets from Napoleon Bonaparte's flaghship *L'Orient*, sunk by the British off Egypt in 1798. French and Egyptian divers hope they will be able to raise the hulk, which may have had a hoard of bullion on board.

Strike deadlock

Madrid (Reuter) – Iberia, the Spanish airline, said there were no immediate plans to resume talks to end its three-day pilots' strike.

Dogged devotion

Reykjavik (AFP) – Iceland's Finance Minister Mr Albert Gudmundsson, has lost his appeal against a fine for breaking a 60-year-old law by keeping a dog in the capital. He has said rather than pay and give up his dog, he would prder to go to prison.

Czechoslovak hostages freed as Unita scores new diplomatic victory

Meeting in the bush leaves Savimbi smiling

From Richard Dowden
Jamba, Angola

Mr Stanislav Svoboda, Czechoslovakia's Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs, was not dressed for the African bush.

His double-breasted grey suit, matching tie, soft leather shoes and immaculately-waved hair looked more apposite to the platform of a party plenum. His pale, pudgy features betrayed apprehension at his wild surroundings. He admitted he did not exactly know where he was.

He met Dr Jonas Savimbi, the Unita rebel leader, outside a reed hut in this dispersed villge and army camp which serves as his base in south-eastern Angola. Dr Savimba, in green battle fatigues with a magnum revolver on his hip and belt full of bullets, grinned broadly.

He had just reeled in another floundering diplomat to his bush headquarters to witness the release of hostages

Dr Savimbi asked him if he had had a good journey. Mr Svoboda admitted the drive had been rather tiring. It was an understatement. He had just finished eight tortuous hours of swaying, bucking and bumping along the dirt track from the bush airstrip used by Unita.



Dr Savimbi: US captives "are an embarrassment"

The circuitous route to the release of the 20 Czechoslovak hostages began earlier this year in the Brussels home of M Jean Wolf, aged 62, a Belgian journalist who bya chance knew both Unita and Czechoslovakia well, and offered to act as intermediary.

On January 25 two limousines arrived at his house. Mr Jaroslav Kvacek, the Czechoslovak Ambassador, got out of one followed by his armed bodyguard. Shortly after, three Unita representatives arrived with their armed bodyguards.

"They were ready for anything", said M Wolf, who is in Jamba to witness the fruits of his secret diplomacy. "They had walkie-talkies, guns; they even kept their car engines running."

M Wolf said he persuaded them to relax a little, and be more discreet. After a few whiskies and all his port, they began to negotiate. Unita were demanding the release of 26 prisoners detained by the MPLA Government in Luanda, and the release of the seven British mercenaries imprisoned in Luanda since 1976.

The Czechoslovaks were unable to deliver, though M Wolf believes that the Russians, who were kept fully informed of the negotiations, asked the MPLA to release the British mercenaries. They were freed 17 days after the Brussels meetings ended on February 10.

The second round of negotiations took place in Paris in May at the Hotel Plaza Athenée. But M Wolf said he found himself and the Unita representatives playing musical chairs with French secret service men in the hotel coffee shop, and the meetings were abandoned.

Finally Czechoslovakia agreed that Unita representatives should come to Prague. After a three-day meeting there in May, the Prague newspapers announced the talks and explained that Unita was fighting for a government of national unity in Angola, a far cry from the usual description of Unita as "puppets backed by racist South Africa".

The hostages, meanwhile, had endured a gruelling time. More than 80 in number, including some 20 Portuguese, they had been seized early on Sunday morning at Alto Catumbela in the central highlands, and had only the clothes they could snatch as they were led away.

There were 17 women and 21 children. The youngest, aged two, caught pneumonia and became seriously ill. One of the Czechoslovaks died, and the others buried him in the bush in an unmarked grave.

They marched north from Alto Catumbela, then east, and finally south, covering more than 600 miles. Twice they were herded into the bush while their captors fought pitched battles with MPLA troops. They were forced to march at night and sleep on the ground wherever they could.

When they arrived in the south, seven of the Czechoslavak men, the women, and children were released through the Red Cross. But those who remained were then isolated in pairs without books, radios, or anything but the bare essentials. They complained to the Red Cross officials who visited them three times during their 15 months of captivity, and at one stage almost rebelled

Two of them, championship chess players, carved chessmen out wood. When they were told last Tuesday that their release was imminest, they had just completed their 1,206th game.

Two weeks ago, the Unita guerrilla network caught five Americans, two missionaries and three businessmen, and some Colombians, who are now being marched south. At Jamba, Unita is still holding three Bulgarians and four Portugese.

The Americans, Dr Savimbi told me, are an embarrassment. "We will free them as soon as possible. There will be no negotiatin, no conditions at all. We have some friends in the West, and if we capture (their citizens) we are embarrassed."

THE ARTS

Richard Williams gets a taste of Bob Dylan in Rome as his tour makes its way towards Britain

On common ground

What single sound in popular music can evoke a response as immediate and unequivocal as that which greets the first blast from Bob Dylan's harmonica? In a Roman sports hall this week, during the tour which will bring him to St James's Park, Newcastle and Wembley Stadium next month, it happened during the fourth song, "Just Like a Woman", that shrill scribbling of sound drawing a roar of recognition from 10,000 throats. It is probably – now that Elvis has gone and the Beatles are unrepeatable – the most poignant expression of nostalgia rock has to offer.

This time around, Dylan seems neither embarrassed by the audience's readiness to embrace his past nor encumbered by the desire to drag it, willing or not, into his present. Whereas in 1978 the readings from his back pages had a self-concious air, and three years later he was evidently propelled by the need to have his devotional songs heard as widely as possible, in 1984 he seems much more relaxed and willing to let the audience's expectations and his own artistic requirements find common ground.

In his presentation he was more energetic and positive than I have seen him since before the motorcycle accident which changed the course of his career in 1966. Starting with his reappearance at the Isle of Wight in 1969, every subsequent performance has seemed to be a stage in an extended convalescence, the audience approaching on tiptoe and holding their breath lest he take flight and vanish.

In Rome, his all-black costume and his pixie boots created a familiar tapered silhouette. From a distance, at least, he looked marvellous. He has lost the extra weight which seemed a metaphor for the blurring of his music's outlines, and he led his band of British veterans – Mick Taylor (guitar), Ian McLagan (organ and piano), Greg Sutton (bass guitar) and Colin Allen (drums) – with confident verve.

Whether they are his ideal accompanists is, however, open to question. McLagan apart, they lack the subtlety and originality which several musicians have from time to time brought to bear on Dylan's blueprints. Taylor, in particular, is a facile stylist but hardly stands comparison with such as Bruce Langhorne, Robbie Robertson or Mark Knopfler, although he was certainly rousing enough in the driving versions of "Highway 61 Revisited" (which opened the show), "Maggie's Farm", "Leopard-skin Pill-box Hat" and "Tombstone Blues" (which closed it).



Bob Dylan: in command

The band's finest moments came during "Jokerman" – one of only five songs in the concert written since the 1960s, out of a total of 22 – and a treatment of "Like a Rolling Stone" extra-ordinary enough to prompt the heretical thought that it matched even the legendary 1966 concert versions punch for punch, even though the dominant emotion is now regret rather than revenge.

For most of his fans, however, the core of the event was represented by the half-dozen songs he performed alone. Of them "A Hard Rain's a-Gonna Fall" and "It's All Right, Ma" wore their youthful anger and aphorisms lightly. "It Ain't Me, Babe" contained a harmonica improvization of quite astounding virtuosity and imagination. "Tangled Up In Blue" had its tumbling cadences appealingly distended, and "Mr Tambourine Man" was accorded a shout of recognition which seem to lift the singer to an exultant peak.

Even those of us who no longer care very much about his opinion of President Reagan's Central America policy found ourselves entranced by this vision of a Bob Dylan so completely in command of both past and present returned to life, indeed.

Radio

Mission to explain

You may know that if you listen to the whole of the *Today* programme, from cock-crow right through, the sense of repetition by the end of it is enough to make you run out of the door and join the nearest rush hour. It is, of course, the repetition of news which has this effect, but there's little point in complaining, because no normal citizen is expected to listen to the whole of the programme.

If you take radio in toto and over the much longer term, there are still certain topics which keep on turning up, and the last week gone by has produced two particularly rich and familiar specimens. Last Sunday and again on Wednesday, **You, the Jury** (Radio 4; producer, Maggie Redfern) tried the proposition that "Parapsychology is a proper study for scientific investigation". On LBC's **Monday Nightline**, Lord Soper found himself involved in a phone-in-cum-disputation on religious evangelism.

You the Jury presented cases for and against the paranormal which seemed essentially indistinguishable from any I have heard before. The defence produces evidence – apparently well-attested – of happenings "inexplicable to science" and to varying degrees statistically significant. The prosecution will then enquire whether the experiments proved repeatable with the air of one expecting the answer "No" (and more or less getting it), before going on to adduce evidence for many instances, equally well-attested, of insufficiently rigorous experimental and/or statistical method, not to mention downright, incontrovertible fraud. When all is over each side sneaks away to reinforce its position before the next inevitable encounter.

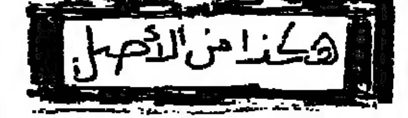
In one way, Lord Soper's phone-in actually turned out to be exceptional. He spent much of it attacking the evangelical methods of the latest popular missionary to Britian, Luis Palau. Lo and behold, Mr Palau himself was on the line, all set to make a defence. Sensing drama, Adrian Love promptly got the seconds out of the ring (he stopped the programme and LBC put in its newsbreak then and there: all very brisk. For most of the second half Palau and Soper had the air to themselves – and yes, it was another event essentially indistinguishable from a hundred I have heard before: the archetypal religious discussion.

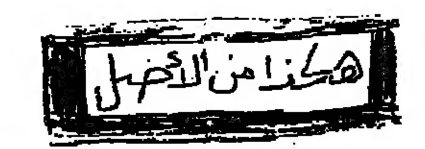
Here evidence (usually the Bible) presented by one party as the final nail in his opponent's coffin is seized upon by the latter and turned into a small crowbar with which to lever himself out of his logical or interpretive fix. Perhaps it was irritation at his adversary's confident use of this device which led Lord Soper to beat some of his subsequent and less agile callers over the head with the heavy weapon of his biblical scholarship.

The question is – both here and in programmes on the paranormal – is anything different possible? There are areas, however, where the last thing I want is difference: the plays of Giles Cooper, for example, currently enjoying a season of repeats on Radios 3 and 4, can stay as same as they like. Last week's **Before the Monday** (June 20, Radio 4; director John Tydeman) though not in my view the finest Cooper, was still immensely skilful and curious. But tomorrow, Radio 4 brings a new production of a vintage piece, the highly sinister **Unman, Wittering and Zigo.**

David Wade







THE ARTS

Concerts

Minstrel with a wandering mind

Alfred Shnitke
Almeida

In the lack of an obvious successor to Shostakovich as top Soviet composer, Alfred Shnitke has been generally acknowledged the unobvious one. When his music first came to attention in the West, in the late 1960s, what we head was serialism with a human face, but since then the tensions of such a position have evidently resulted in an explosion.

Shnitke's music now is liable to be fantastically complicated one moment and trivial the next, to swing erratically from a seemingly fervent expressiveness to a nonchalant simplicity, or from grotesquerie to liturgical chant. I suppose the nearest parallel is with the work of Maxwell Davies, except that with Shnitke the central personality is elusive: one sees only the scattered contents of a mind that has gone off somewhere else.

There has been a decent supply of Shnitke performances here over the years, but it was still a rare education and a pleasure to hear a whole concert of his music, opening a very enterprising festival of Russian music and cinema at the Almeida Theatre in Islington.

The main work was his Piano Quintet of 1976, which is occupied almost continuously with a brief tragic strain. Introduced and pondered by the pianist, this is turned into a waltz in the second movement, twisted by mistuning, obscured in miasmas of string playing and finally forgotten in favour of a children's song that the piano quietly repeats throughout the finale. Peter Frankl and a quartet led by Mark Lubotsky gave an intent and richly characterful performance.

Mr Frankl and Mr Lubotsky were also excellent in the challenging Second Violin Sonata, which threads a similar path from high passion to an unsettling simplicity and appeasement. The other works were no less odd for being shorter. *Hymn No. 2* for cello and double bass grew out of and declined into subterranean harmonics; *Hymn No. 3* had the curious quartet of cello, bassoon, harpsichord and bells ambling along their own preferred paths, the harpsichord stuck in the baroque, the bells still further back in time. And the *Three Madrigals* were tiny puzzle pieces for soprano (Margaret Field) and quintet: they might or equally might not have been more decipherable if the lavish programme book had contained the texts.

Paul Griffiths

Philharmonia/ Sanderling
Festival Hall

I am not the greatest devotee of Cécile Ousset's piano playing, but this was quite something. Just to look at all the notes in Brahms's Second Piano Concerto makes one's hair stand on end (the composer's description of it as "quite a small piano concerto with a pretty little scherzo" raised understatement to a high art): to hear quite as many of them as Miss Ousset managed to play, vigorously, audibly, and musically, was a most unusual experience.

Ousset's weight of attack is phenomenal, but in the denser textures of the Brahms she showed also that she had an ability to balance, to clarify the strands and let us hear the harmonic movement in a manner not usually achieved by mere virtuoso. But I was still not quite convinced: or rather, I was left open-mouthed with admiration but was never really moved. For all the beauty of some of the sounds, there is something rather lumpish and heavy about her basic attack on the keyboard, and her interpretation was plain to the point of non-existence.

The Scherzo unwound strongly, and the finale danced happily. Where more was called for, in the first movement she found little poetry in those heavy chords and sequences, and in the slow movement she was perfectly well-calculated but reserved in emotional commitment.

Kurt Sanderling provided a fairly plodding accompaniment, slowing down the *tranquillo e dolce* subject in the Scherzo quite intolerably so that Miss Ousset always had to retrieve the tempo. But he was much more at home in Shostakovich's Sixth Symphony – if symphony is quite the right term for these three fascinating movements that seem to come from three entirely different pieces. The opening Largo dragged, but then Sanderling whipped the Philharmonia into shape for the biting, sardonic Scherzo.

There were some problems with wind and even brass tuning all evening, but the percussion department excelled themselves in exposed solos, and the smooth Philharmonia strings became very chirpy in Shostakovich's flamboyantly flippant last movement.

Nicholas Kenyon

Alastair Muir



Margaret Tyzack (left), Faith Brook and Teresa Wright

Theatre

America's backyard

Morning's at Seven
Westminster Theatre

Are American dramatists shallow and shortsighted for writing an abundance of plays with domestic settings, in which the characters' primary concerns are individual fulfillment and personal relationships? Ought they to be delving instead into socio-political issues, examined outside the confines of family enclaves?

Such accusations and challenges have been levelled this season with considerable vigour in a forum at the internationally attended Louisville Humana Festival of New American Plays, in the pages of The *New York Times*, and in debates criss-crossing the Atlantic.

Open discussions are healthy, but I have often wondered what the socio-political allies make of *Long Day's Journey into Night, The Glass Menagerie, Our Town, Ah, Wilderness!* and other American classics. Only the impoverished or dictatorial imagination will insist that one type of play may reign.

If you stand stolidly on the socio-political side, you had best skip *Morning at Seven*. Do remember, however, that one socio-political issue is justice, and accept that to disdain Paul Osborn's domestic comedy could be an artistic injustice.

The play, a Broadway flop in 1939 but a huge Tony Award success in a 1980 revival, is not a masterpiece, but it is a felicitously crafted piece of Americana, and is acted to near perfection by its British cast.

The setting, with designer Joe Vanek's cream-colored porches on gingerbread houses, is composed of adjoining backyards in a small Midwestern town in 1922. Director Vivian Matalon, repeating his Tony-winning Broadway staging, keeps traffic flowing almost imperceptibly between the houses, the better to highlight character development. Quite a lot is going on among four sisters, three husbands, a 40-year-old son and his long-time fiancée.

Three marital crises, one broken engagement, two affairs, an unmarried pregnancy, and an impending nervous breakdown, as well as all the little annoyances and hurts which occur when someone is let in or left out of a conversation or conclave, afflict Mr Osborne's characters. Delicately as he spins this web, however, his real concern is letting us get to know the kind of people who can feel their worlds crumbling and still worry whether someone who has upset them has had breakfast. Nice, decent, unsentimentalized people these – some eccentric, irritating, occasionally odd, but real.

The New York cast won numerous awards for ensemble acting, and the performers here deserve the same. Though they are human enough to make one want to pull their hair, the four prettily aging sisters are a dreamy sort of family. Teresa Wright is the one American guest artist, giving the tart, longing rendition of her original role on Broadway. Doreen Mantle is an excited bird, Faith Brook wise and elegant, and Margaret Tyzack an old maid more ripe and womanly than two of her married siblings.

The husbands are equally engaging – Don Fellows a pink-faced, compact source of energy and sympathy, Alan MacNaughtan a caustic intellectual, and Peter Jones a jumble of nerves. The only false notes – identical to those in the Broadway production and thus attributable to the director rather than the actors – are the caricatured "Aw, shucks" portrayals of the engaged couple.

Badly acted, the soda fountain scene in *Our Town* is pretty sticky. Imagine the same behaviour by people in their forties rather than 16-year-olds and you have Mr Matalon's one misjudgment. His touch is otherwise so certain, however, that *Morning's at Seven* proves an evening of domestic delights and insights

Holly Hill

Television

Engine of history

The last programme of All Our Working Lives (BBC 2) was called, appropriately enough, *Hindsight* the only kind of sight generally available to us in the matters with which this series has dealt. The previous 10 episodes were concerned with what must be called "the rise and fall" of British industry in the twentieth century - the causes of which were classified under the headings of Government, The Inheritance, Them and Us, The Managers. When you add all of them up, you get something close to "history" or, at the very least, a general condition which seems to have an inevitable or remorseless logic of its own. It would certainly be difficult to apportion blame in a sensible manner.

And it may in any case be true that inordinate blame is neither wise nor necessary. No doubt Britain's productivity has lagged behind that of other industrialized nations and, as someone put it, "if you are a rational being" productivity ought to be the central consideration: but the history of this country suggests that "rationality" is not as potent a force as it may be in Germany or Japan. It is impossible to contemplate a more efficient Britain without also contemplating it as a quite different country, altered in terms of history, character and ideology. And yet the most interesting aspect of this series has been those old films and interviews which suggested the pervasive influence of tradition and history. There are some who might welcome the inauguration of "UK Ltd", but there are others who would just as vociferously deplore it.

Some elements of last night's programme remained rather puzzling – at one point demarcation disputes were blamed on the employers who liked "layers of employees" whom they could sack efficiently, while at the next these disputes were said to spring from traditional craft differentials. But no doubt such problems of interpretation are bound to arise in any attempt to deal with so complicated a history in so small a space.

And that is part of a larger problem: the series has been excellently researched, carefully edited and properly scripted, but it is not clear how effective these televisual histories actually are. The one quality of visual imagery is its forgettability, and even the best of these programmes left one with a generalized, or generally confused, impression. But perhaps, in this case, that confusion accurately reflects the nature of the subject.

Peter Ackroyd

Rock

Orange Juice
Hammersmith Palais

While the big names are sweating it out at the annual round of festivals, beginning with Glastonbury this weekend, the main event of midsummer night took place before a few hundred people in the Palais. I missed Blue In Heaven, a new Irish act, but there was excellent entertainment with the next three bands on a busy and adventurous bill.

James King and the Lone Wolves, a Glaswegian four-piece band, are fired in a tradition of unsmiling rock 'n' roll mania; they have the air of men living out the stock fantasies of a music that was born in the 1950s, and isn't about to die without a fight.

The surprise of the evening was the appearance of Jonathan Richman and the Modern Lovers. Richman, once hailed as a punk original, with a debut record being partly produced by John Cale, can be twee on plastic but on stage he was both funny and effective.

After a diplomatic interval Orange Juice was served. Now stripped to the original components of singer and writer Edwyn Collins, drummer extraordinaire Zeke Manyika and a pick-up guitar and bass, they inevitably lack their former integrity, although Collins remains an engaging frontman, prone to fits of giggles. His enthusiasm is sometimes deflated by irony, as when he dedicated "Rip It Up" to his social worker.

Orange Juice played a fun if limited style of music, never quite capturing the intrigue of parts of their *Texas Fever* set. Still, these three performances were really cameos rather than starring roles.

Max Bell

Royal Ballet plans

A new production of *The Nutcracker* will be given by the Royal Ballet at Covent Garden on December 20, directed by Peter Wright, with designs by Julia Trevelyan Oman. Yuri Simonov, chief conductor of the Bolshoi Opera, Moscow, will conduct. Another of Tchaikovsky's ballets, *The Sleeping Beauty*, also produced by Peter Wright, is to be premièred by Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet at the Birmingham Hippodrome on October 15.

Two new works by David Bintley are to be given during the 1984-5 Royal Ballet season. One for Covent Garden on November 17 is set to Benjamin Britten's *Young Apollo* suite with additional music (variations on Britten's) by Gordon Crosse, and is to be designed by Victor Pasmore. Details of Bintley's ballet for the Sadler's Wells company next June are not yet known.

Other new works by Michael Corder, Wayne Eagling and Jennifer Jackson are also planned for the Covent Garden company, and by André Prokovsky and Miss Jackson for Sadler's Wells.

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THE ASCOT DIARY

A day to forget

Has Lester Piggott ever suffered more ill-fortune in one day than he did on Wednesday? He was expected to sweep into a commanding lead in the Ascot jockey's title race, but nothing went right. He began the day on an even-money favourite, Argosy, finished fourteenth out of 16, and had to visit the stewards' room afterwards. After the second race, the winning trainer revealed: "Lester was due to ride the horse, but changed his mind last week." In the third, Piggott was on yet another beaten favourite, the winner ridden by 17-year-old Tyrone Williams. In the fourth, Philip Robinson, faced with the choice between two crack fillies, out-Piggotted Piggott, and picked the right one. Piggott, on the second choice, was second. The final straw: Tony Ives pulled away from Piggott on the overall jockey's championship – by riding a double at the day's minor meeting, at Beverley.

Hungry look

Anyone who missed the first winner at the meeting should be kicking himself. Plenty of people did, for Trojan Fen was second favourite. Perhaps people were frightened by the fact that the jockey put up three pounds overweight, and the horse paraded in one of the smallest saddles ever seriously offered – not so much a postage stamp, more a franking mark. But the jockey was Lester Piggott, riding at his lightest for some time, and having racked his tortured frame to such an extent – he lives a perpetual two stone under his natural weight – he was not about to be beaten. Trojan Fen appeared to have a take-it-or-leave-it attitude to being in front, but Lester was far too hungry to put up with that sort of attitude.

Valet service

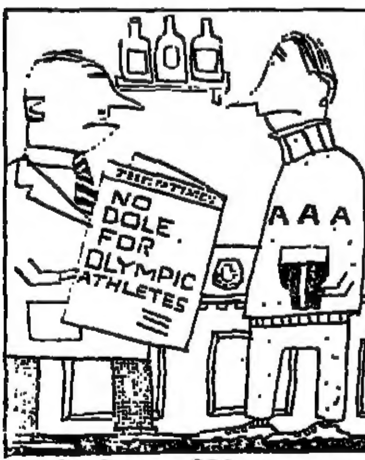
Bill Shoemaker, the legendary American jockey, paid his first ever visit to Royal Ascot and managed his 8,408th winner of his career. As an exceptional dispensation, he was allowed to have a personal valet to carry his saddle around – jockeys are supposed to do this themselves to eliminate possibilities of tampering. But Shoemaker, standing in at 4 ft 10 in, and no slip of a youth, weighs a mere 7 st 3 lb, which means that his saddle needs to be packed with lead if he is to make a nine stone riding weight.

Top note

One of the most brilliant performances seen at the meeting was Chief Singer's soaring victory in the St James's Palace Stakes. As a nice change at this most fashion-conscious of meetings, he was piloted by a totally unfashionable jockey, Ray Cochrane, who, far from spending his life among four-footed aristocrats, started off as a National Hunt rider, with a dizzying total of eight wins over hurdles. But Cochrane, whose recreations are golf and walking the dog, need have no fears of being displaced by a trendier jockey. Chief Singer's trainer, Ron Sheather, said: "Of course Ray will ride Chief Singer for the rest of the season. We are not going to try to bring back Fred Archer at this stage of the game."

● **The hoi polloi have at last their own enclosure near the paddock at Ascot. On a racecourse split up for badge-holders of every description, a board is now marked "Not for badge-holders". There is even a bowler-hatted official on hand to prevent badge-holders entering.**

BARRY FANTONI



Don't you see? It's an even greater incentive to bring home a gold medal

Numbers game

While Daniel Wildenstein jocks them off, Robert Sangster never stops putting them up: he won four races in succession at Royal Ascot, the last on Wednesday and the first three on Thursday, each time with a different jockey. He scattered cheerful hints that Piggott or Shoemaker might soon be riding for him in England, which certainly seasoned the regular gossip about the great game of musical jockeys. It was Sangster who brought Shoemaker to England for the first time, in 1978, and he also brought out the Kentuckian, Steve Cauthen, who is now a kind of Henry James Englishman. He brought Brent Thomson from Australia this season, and his first ride at Royal Ascot, for Sangster, was a winner. Speculation is rife that Thomson could ride the Sangster horses to be trained in England by Michael Dickinson, the record breaking former National Hunt trainer. If Thomson visits the winner's enclosure as often as another Australian, Mrs Sangster, he won't be complaining.

Simon Barnes

SDP, the only smart party



Next week Francis Pym, Conservative Foreign Secretary sacked by Mrs Thatcher, publishes a fierce attack on the Tory Party's retreat from the middle ground of politics. Here he explains how the SDP-Liberal Alliance is set to fill the gap and why now is the time to speak out and stop the rot

I have written *The Politics of Consent* for two reasons: to share my views on contemporary politics, and to restate the case for traditional Conservatism. In communicating what I believe, I am bound to criticize what I do not believe. For all that, and despite the predictable reaction from some of the press, the book is intended to be positive, constructive, and forward-looking.

It implies a vital question: what has happened to the middle ground of politics? Has the Prime Minister successfully shifted it to the right? If so, is the shift permanent?

I believe that the middle ground is alive and kicking - as it always has been in Britain and always will be. But it does not exist in a petrified, unchanging state, at some mid-point between conservatism and socialism. It has moved recently and, if anyone is to understand that move, the two related - but separate - elements of the middle ground must be appreciated. The first concerns policies and opinions. The second concerns attitudes and feelings.

The Prime Minister came to power on a tide that had turned against economic sterility, nationalization and excessive trade union power. That tide has continued to run and, if the Government does not overreach itself, will run strongly for the foreseeable future. It has enabled current policies on privatization, industrial rationalization, trade union reform and the principle of social service reform to command a previously unthinkable level of public support. It is partly the product of post-war social change and it reflects a significant change of attitude in the country.

However, the emotional element of the middle ground has not changed nearly as much, if at all. Rejection of the state socialism has not entailed a conversion to laisser-fare ideology. People still believe in fairness and social justice. They still dislike confrontation. They still resent government centralization. They do not equate conciliation with expediency, nor compassion with ineffectiveness.

This aspect of the middle ground continues to elude the government. Hence the public concern over its apparent indifference to unemployment. Hence the suspicions over social policy. Hence the rumpus over GCHQ. Hence the unease over all the local government shenanigans. Hence the great anxiety about violence on the picket lines, whatever the legal rights and wrongs, and fears about when and how it is all going to end.

For all these reasons, it is simultaneously true that the middle ground has shifted politically to the right, while remaining emotionally where it was and always has been. Nor is this surprising. The first fact reflects the changeable nature of life. The second reflects the abiding character of the British people.

Translating this analysis into party politics, Conservatives should have substantial cause for concern. The Government has an imperfect grasp of these realities, perhaps deluded by its considerable success in shifting the immediate scenery, into thinking it has transformed the entire landscape. Despite recent attempts to close the gap, the Labour Party remains – thanks to the influence of the hard left – even further away from the realities. The Liberals still lack a hard core of coherent beliefs.

Of all the parties, only the SDP has grasped the full sense of both sides of the coin and has been smart enough to appreciate the opportunity of the new middle ground. David Owen is holding this middle ground almost single-handed. At present he has too little support to spearhead a sustained Alliance breakthrough but, if the Government continues to ignore the territory he has staked out, that situation will change.

The SDP is standing on Conservative ground – usurped because we have abandoned it. It is the ground we have occupied for decades and, if we fail to reclaim it, the price will be severe. What is more, in the current climate, this position is still compatible with most of the Government's policies. It does not preclude a strong bias to free enterprise, industrial reform, or even an overhaul of the Welfare State. However, it demands a sensitivity to the emotional element of the middle ground. That in turn requires a different style and tone and, in specific areas, new policies.

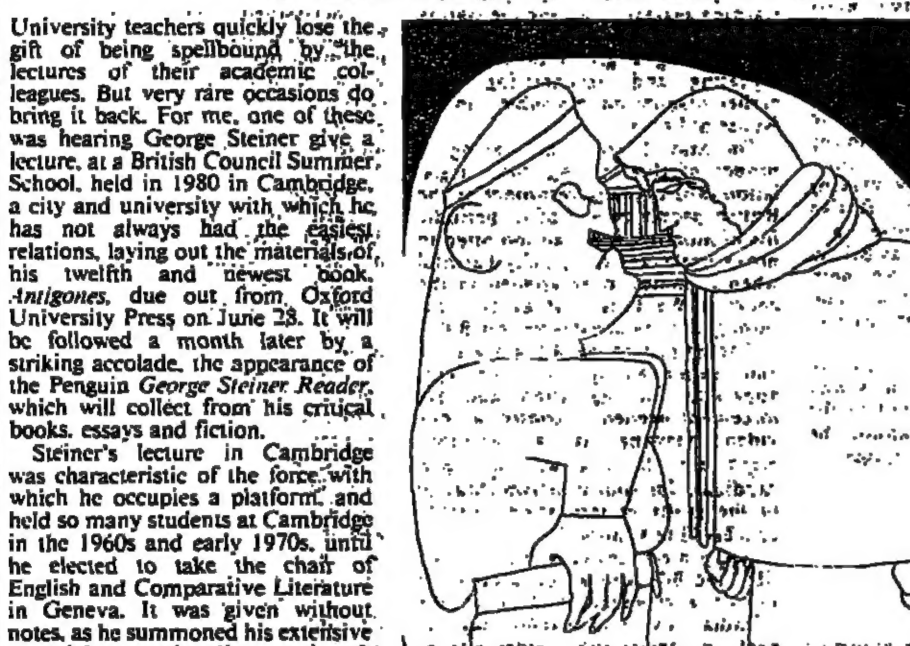
The Politics of Consent is my attempt to define the philosophy and meaning of the middle ground and to apply it to contemporary politics – in other words, to reinterpret traditional Conservatism. When the controversy dies down, I hope it will provoke sustained thought – especially amongst those Conservatives who think differently.

Francis Pym

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Malcolm Bradbury on a survivor of a vanishing species

Steiner: intellectual in exile





The book jacket illustration *Antigone at Créon* (left) drawn by Jean Cocteau and author George Steiner

University teachers quickly lose the gift of being spellbound by the lectures of their academic colleagues. But very rare occasions do bring it back. For me, one of these was hearing George Steiner give a lecture, at a British Council Summer School, held in 1980 in Cambridge, a city and university with which he has not always had the easiest relations, laying out the materials of his twelfth and newest book, *Antigones*, due out from Oxford University Press on June 28. It will be followed a month later by a striking accolade, the appearance of the Penguin *George Steiner Reader*, which will collect from his critical books, essays and fiction.

Steiner's lecture in Cambridge was characteristic of the force with which he occupies a platform, and held so many students at Cambridge in the 1960s and early 1970s, until he elected to take the chair of English and Comparative Literature in Geneva. It was given without notes, as he summoned his extensive materials, covering literary theory, philosophy and politics, from the massive card-catalogue of his mind. The manner was quiet but charismatic, a great commanding of the audience through the power of language - that central interest in his thought. Steiner is compelling at moments like this because he seems a central voice of modern humanism.

His work on the Antigones is one of his major projects, in a line that runs through *The Death of Tragedy*, *In Blue-Beard's Castle* and *After Babel*: in each book there is usually a promise of the next. Here Steiner takes Sopocles' *Antigone* – with its central tragic conflict between *Antigone* and King Créon, the individual and the state, the transcendental and the historical, the dead and the living – as a myth fundamental to the modern mind. He inquires how this tragic vision has been endlessly reinterpreted, by most of the major modern philosophers since Hegel, and the poets, playwrights, and political theorists.

It is also a book about reading and re-reading, and it is part of Steiner's enormous appeal on the platform that he celebrates, and *is*, the great scholar-reader for whom endless reinterpretation of major ideas and myths is fudamental to existence. He becomes himself the case in point: native in three languages, read in many more, learned over a massive range, requiring of those who study or debate with him an unremitting dedication. All this is expressed with a charismatic power which makes even difficulty seem easy, and invites rebellion against low educational standards, intellectual simplifications, and false prophesy.

There are ironies here, and he has dealt with them himself. He passionately defends humanistic texts in the world of post-culture, yet equally has suspected that the horrors of modern history may take us beyond them into silence ("No literature after Auschwitz"). *In Bluebeard's Castle* looked at the ironies within the romantic pursuit of absolute intellectual truths, and the part played by Jewish perfectionism from Christ, Freud and Marx in creating a sense of modern crisis. He rightly condemns British intellectual provincialism, but *Extra-Territorial* test the stresses of deracination in modern art. His novel *The Portage of San Cristobal of A.H.* (adapted for the stage by Christopher Hampton) has as its great charismatic word-spinner Adolf Hitler, positively denouncing the paradoxical history of the Jews.

His books have a quality of onward-driving personal history, and it is not surprising that they have left many arguments in their wake. *After Babel*, that massive study of translation, contains an engrossing autobiographical passage about his origins. His father was born north of Prague and grew up in Vienna; Steiner was born in Paris and was genuinely polyglot. "So far as I am aware, I possess equal currency in English, French and German", he says, none of these languages having the feel of conscious acquisition. He studied at a rigorous French lycée after moving to New York in 1940, when he was 11, and then at the University of Chicago.

There was a year at Harvard before he went up to Balliol as a Rhodes Scholar, and so to *The Economist*. An interview with Robert Oppenheimer led to a period at the Insitute for Advanced Study at Princeton. Oppenheimer also helped lead him to Churchill College, Cambridge, as it was in process of foundation. He became a Fellow and Director of Studies in English; he is still an Extraordinary Fellow of the college. But he was never offered a Cambridge University post, despite a worldwide reputation, and joined the familiar tradition of Cambridge English dissentients, drawing many undergradutes unfriendly to him. In 1974 he took the oldest chair of Comparative Literature, the chair at Geneva. Now he teaches there, and in the US, while retaining home and base in Cambridge, where his wife Zara teaches.

As a result, Steiner's reputation is still perhaps strongest in Europe, where the tradition of his thought is clear, and in the US, where his influence extends beyond universities through his role as a major reviewer for the *New Yorker*. His impact in provoking British scholars to a much more internationalist and comparative viewpoint has been great, but not always gratefully received. He was one of the first to present structuralism here, in anonymous essays on Levi-Strauss in the *TLS*, but has long quarrelled with the hermeticism and a historicism of that now-fading movement or tendency. He centralized linguistics and hermeneutics as fundamental to modern literary theory, while dismaying some by refusing the insights of the then great guru of linguistics, Noam Chomsky. What can always be said of Steiner is that what he questions and quarrels with, he reads and knows.

And, whatever the quarrels, Steiner is a major figure, who has sustained a profoundly enquiring philosophy of literature. He has always seen literature as fundamentally part of the world of human ideas, as a metaphysical, a moral and an historical presence. His two great intellectual influences are, he says, Heidegger and the German critic Walter Benjamin. *Antigones* ends by promising us more questions, further projects in the apprehension of great literature. The next book is on Shakespeare, that elusive metaphysician of and in art, and is to be called *Real Presences*. The title indicates a move beyond secular humanist towards a transcendental, if not theological, view of art – another stage in the enquiry of one of our time's most powerful reader-writers.

Malcolm Bradbury

Antigones *by George Steiner, is published by Oxford on June 28th at £15.* A Steiner Reader 1958-1980 *is published by Penguin on July 28th at £4.95.*

Crossed lines in the name game

New words for old, by Philip Howard

Telephone technique is the modern equivalent of the duel and the tilt-yard. "Her telephone is engaged; will you wait?" The question expects and hopes for the answer "No".

"OK I'll wait for a bit, but not too long". You wait for three minutes. It feels like an hour. At the other end of the line there is silence as deep as the eternal silence of infinite space.

Should you give up and put the telephone down? It seems a little rude to the overworked operator, who will come back to you eventually, and find you fled and never called him "Mother". In any case, sheer stubbornness makes you hang on, to see whether you can break the world record for waiting for a telephone conversation by a publisher's publicity director to come to an end.

It is cheating and rude, to ask your secretary to do the waiting for you and get somebody to the other end of the telephone. It is a game of chicken between secretaries to see who can get the other's big boss on to the other end of the line first.

The correct answer, when a secretary asks you over the telephone: "Is that Mr Howard? I have Tom Maschler for you . . ." and then leaves you dangling, is "Congratulations, you can keep him" and put the telephone down.

In this marvellous new world of telecommunications it is a miracle that we ever get anything done at all.

An ugly new phrase of telephone technique is: "Your name is . . .?" It is used *passim* and *semper* by secretaries and operators over the telephone, in answer to the question: "Hullo, may I speak to Samuel Johnson (or, as it might be, Edward Gibbon), please?"

It is used *passim* and *semper* by operators and secretaries who are telephoning you, in reply to the courteous (or harassed, or grumpy, or suicidal) opening shot: "Hullo, Times Books Page, can I help you?"

The first few times that it was said to me, I thought the caller was going to make a statement and tell me my name. I waited, politely, not understanding the new technique of telephone duel, until she repeated, impatiently: "Your name is . . .?"

The irritating and confusing vogue phrase clearly comes from television – specifically from television quiz shows, in which the question master puts one arm effusively around the shoulders of the next contestant and thrusts the microphone into his or her face with the other.

I dare say that it is the conventional locution in television quiz shows. But television quiz shows are the lowest form of entertainment, lower far than the circus and the Space Invader arcade; and television questionmasters are the lowest form of animal life, lower far than the chimpanzees or footballing poodles at the circus.

On the whole one should robustly resist the view that the world is going to the dogs; and that every day, in every way, things get worse and worse. But the proliferation and popularity of moronic quiz shows on the box is powerful evidence for the pessimistic view.

"What name, please?" asks the question implied by the dreadful phrase, "Your name is . . .?" more polite, if slightly less economical.

In fact, the most businesslike and helpful telephone technique is to state the number first clearly, for the benefit of those waiting to put coins into a public telephone, in case they have the wrong number, and then to state your surname, without handle, loud and clear, like old-fashioned gents or Cheltenham ladies educated before the war: "837-1234. Howard."

This sounds so brusque to wet modern manners that it has the additional benefit that the caller sometimes puts the telephone straight down, without speaking, in terror.

John Rae

Fundamental gaps in our education





Centralized education is the key to the future, says Sir Keith Joseph as Japan well knows

As anxiety about Britain's economic performance increases, so do demands that the education system should be "more relevant to the needs of the nation". Identifying the problem has become a popular pastime; hardly a month goes past without a committee reporting that we do not produce enough engineers, or that our school curriculum is too academic and emphasizes only analytical skills, or that too few able pupils "go into industry".

The debate has been going on for a decade, but the changes it has prompted are at best superficial and at worst self-deceptions that give us the impression we are tackling the problem. In a characteristically British way, our attempts to inject a vocational element into the curriculum, and to make schools more responsive to the needs of industry, have been uncoordinated initiatives that amount to no more than tinkering with the system. They will not put us on equal terms with those industrial competitors whose central governments ensure that the education system serves the needs of the nation.

Japan is a case in point. The young samurai who ended Japan's isolationism in 1868 made education the key instrument of modernization: an education system under firm central control would direct popular energies towards specific national goals, including the creation of a meritocratic élite and a technically competent labour force. The models were France and Prussia. The education minister Mori Arinori made it clear that "education is not for the sake of the student but for the sake of the state".

The American occupation after the Second World War modified, but did not change, the essential nature of the system; Japanese education is still centrally controlled and directed towards national ends. The occupation and the growth of the powerful teachers' union Nikkyoso ensured that the benefits of education were spread to all children. However, whereas egalitarianism, pursued in a haphazard way in a decentralized system in the United States and United Kingdom resulted in a decline in standards, discipline and morale, it produced in the centralized context of Japanese education a remarkable raising of standards.

What our educational reformers fail to grasp is that the difference between our system and that of countries such as Japan is fundamental. No amount of tinkering will make a decentralized system – in which the minister has virtually no power to direct what shall be taught – a serious competitor with a centralized, utilitarian system, in which the minister can, and does, dictate the curriculum. Japanese children in the first grade spend 25 per cent of their time on mathematics. Sir Keith Joseph could not direct British schools to follow suit, even if the government thought it essential to national survival. It is not the curriculum, but the whole concept of the relationship between education and the state, that is different.

The current debate is therefore wrong. We should not be discussing whether our various initiatives will produce more engineers or encourage more able pupils to apply for jobs in the car industry. We should be asking more fundamental questions. Do we want to use the education system to achieve specific national goals, and if so, are we prepared to accept the degree of central government direction of the education that will be required?

I suspect that the answer to the first part is a half-hearted yes, and to the second part a whole-hearted no. Central direction of education is anathema to the British. They would rather be reduced to rags than accept such a restriction of academic freedom.

So we shall continue to tinker. Select committees will tell us what we already know. Government initiatives – a little broadening of the sixth-form curriculum here, a certificate of pre-vocational education there – will touch the surface of the problem. Headmasters and politicians will continue to pontificate about the importance of the brightest and best accepting the challenge of industry, but the brightest and best will continue to observe that the careers offering the most prestige lie elsewhere. We shall continue to isolate ourselves from reality in the name of academic freedom. It would take a revolution in our thinking to end that isolationism, and I do not see any young samurai on the horizon.

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Paul Jennings

Why don't you join us for the break?

After the creators, the critics. After the inventors of forms, the definers of forms. After the framers, the namers. This is true of television commercials, as of any other art. It is taking us an amazingly long time to recognize that they also are (to use a fashionable phrase) a free-standing art-form.

Bogus psychologists from market research try to evaluate them in terms of mere sales effectiveness, although I have never yet had a clear answer from these men to such a question as this: years ago they found that Guinness was a favourite with what they called the "reparative drinker", whom one pictured as a slightly gloomy middle-aged bloke with bicycle clips, repairing the tissues after a dismal day at the insurance with a glass of the splendid black ichor, the nearest a drink can get to being a food; now, do they plan their advertising to get the remaining such men who don't already drink Guinness, if any, or try to convert quite other kinds of men?

The latter, judging by the gormless youths now depicted as falling for the heavy-handed "Guinnless" metaphor. Give me the man with the girder on his head any day. Better still, give me a Guinness.

No, the sales-effectiveness of any television commercial is only indirectly connected to some kind of afterglow, of gratitude for *aesthetic* pleasure (and it can have the opposite effect; I would take positive steps not to be in the bank, whatever it is, that has those horrible whooping kiddies with their piggy-banks). And this pleasure, for me at any rate, includes laughter.

Unfortunately I am not in the market for rubber gloves, but if I was I should certainly buy Marigold (there, you see, they even planted the name in my memory) because of a marvellous recent commercial in which three rubber gloves danced on a piano keyboard while singing in enchanting Andrews Sisters-type close harmony.

I remember, too, some splendid singing owls, with Frances De La Tour. She was in an armchair, looking slightly surprised, they were on the windowsill. I can't remember what it was for, and no doubt other people like other things, as in all art. That's why we need regular criticism and discussion, and of course a vocabulary. Well, someone has to start. So:-

Trustic: Honest country values, rolling Mummerset landscape either photographed or semi-cartoon, the TV equivalent of steel engravings. Horses with hair over hooves, cycling postmen, women with aprons. Bamboo flute, or oboe or guitar, sub-Vaughan Williams. For beer, dairy products and other foods.

Gaumont-British: Derived from opening sequence of newsreels in old cinema days, when divided screen showed simultaneously town crier, goal-scorer, racing car, high diver, boxers etc, general effect of frenzied activity. A favourite with breakfast cereals, often with rather disgusting crunching noises.

Little Legs: Animation of product itself, as in Tetley Tea Bags, those smiling lemons and blackcurrants, also now some rather jolly raisins singing country'n'western, wearing straw hats.

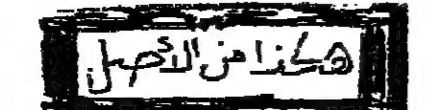
Tipperary: (... and smile, smile, SMILE). A large, amorphous range, from chocolate to building societies.

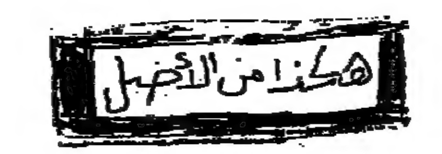
Amwife: Means both "I am a housewife" and "amateur housewife." She says "Aoh, yerss, iss deffnitly whi'er wiv this one" to perky young male interviewer.

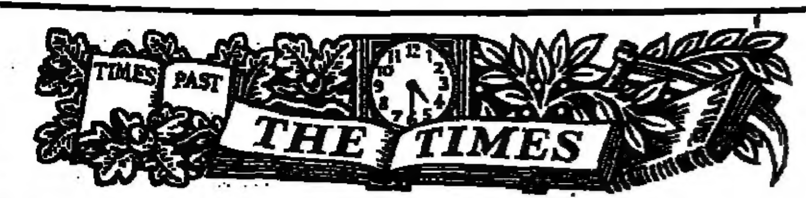
CF: Cupboard of Fame (as opp. to Hall of). Also known as LT *(Live from Tussaud)*. Contemporary "personality" who will last about the same time as many Madame T. figures do before being melted down.

Basso Dasso: (From Carib. "Dat so, dat true, man") Unnaturally deep voice to suggest even greater reliability than *Trustic* (qv). Lager, Texas Homecare etc. Vocal equivalent of Gothic type.

Alto Schmaltzo: Female equiv. of Basso Dasso, though either may be used for shampoo.







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PAYING FOR EUROPE

When the last episode of the long-running European summit soap-opera ended at Brussels in March, the statistical divide between Britain and the other nine Community members, in their struggle to settle the budget crisis, seemed to be a narrow one. Both sides had made concessions in the negotiation about how to compensate Britain for its excessively large net contributions to the Community budget.

The others had agreed that there must be a lasting system for compensating members for over-contribution, and that this should be related to member states' relative prosperity in the EEC. Britain was willing to reduce the notional gap (on which compensation would be calculated) between its VAT-related contributions to and its receipts from the Community. It was willing to bring this down from 1,900 million ecu to 1,250 million ecu in 1983 budget terms, the base year on which the new system was calculated. The other states, however, want the United Kingdom's "VAT share-expenditure" gap to be calculated at 1,000 million ecu. In other words, no more is apparently at issue than £150 million pounds on the sum to which compensation is initially related.

This is the apparently small difference which confronts the summit when it meets at Fontainebleau on Monday and superficially it might not seem a great stumbling block. Yet whatever figures are adopted at the outset of the new system will determine the level of Britain's contributions to a steadily growing Community budget in the years ahead. For assuming that the ceiling of VAT-related payments to the EEC is increased from the present 1 per cent to 1.4 per cent, which is part of the present package, Britain's payments will be greatly increased without any significant rise of Community spending in Britain.

Further compromises all round are therefore obviously necessary if there is to be a settlement. The British, however, do not allow themselves to hope that there is better than a 50-50 chance of agreement, and French scepticism about the feasibility of writing generally acceptable figures into the system that was supposedly accepted at Brussels is indicated by reports that President Mitterrand will take to Fontainebleau a new and simpler formula for compensating Britain.

But whatever the system, any acceptable solution must deal adequately with Britain's special problem as a contributor to the EEC on a scale wholly disproportionate to relative prosperity. In insisting on this, Mrs Thatcher has the advantage that unless the ceiling of the VAT-related contributions to the EEC from member states is raised, the Community will not be able to cover all the outgoings to which it is committed this year – and the VAT-related contributions cannot be increased unless Britain, and each individual member state, agrees.

Even as it is, this year's Budget is calculated to cost about £1,600 million above the present revenue ceiling and if there is no settlement, money will not be available as the year moves to its end to discharge the Community's obligations to farmers under its agricultural policy. Each nation will then, presumably, have to begin paying its own farmers and rely on being paid back by the Community when a settlement has been reached, but with no guarantee that this will happen. If, moreover, there is no settlement there is obviously the danger that the Community will cease to function properly with members tempted into various kinds of unilateral action to protect their own positions.

This would be as much against the interest of Britain as of any other member state. Yet before Mrs Thatcher agrees to any compromise she must be convinced that the future budgetary burden is acceptable to Britain and that at least a start has been made on bringing Community farm subsidies under the same kind of cash limits control as that which member states apply to their internal expenditure.

All this is the more necessary because, quite apart from the fact that Community spending has already passed through the ceiling of its VAT-related resources, the cost of Community enlargement (Greece already; Spain and Portugal by the beginning of 1986) will impose a much heavier burden on the more developed countries. This will bear particularly hard on Britain as one of the least well-off of the industrially advanced members. Indeed, the Brussels Commission argues that to cover the cost of accession of the Iberian nations, the VAT-related ceiling ought to be raised to 2 per cent, not 1.4 per cent as the Council of Ministers now propose. The Community, even on the most optimistic calculations, may be moving into a phase when the proposed higher VAT ceiling is not enough. It is therefore important that no idea of automaticity in raising it in future should be inferred from the present negotiations.

The British Government hopes that a settlement will be assisted by the realization of the French that they themselves, instead of being (just) net beneficiaries, as they now are, will become net contributors in the enlarged Community, as Britain and Germany now are. The case for enlargement is, of course, political. Just as the original Community of the Six was formed to ensure the peace of Western Europe, so enlargement is intended to bolster the poorer Mediterranean countries against communism by promoting their prosperity and taking them into the political counsels which are an important aspect of evolving Community relationships. There is, of course, an economic price to be paid for this but Mrs Thatcher is right (while steadily eschewing any hint of withdrawal) to insist that for Britain it cannot be any price.

When, or if, a settlement of the budget problem has been attained, the future of the Community must be re-examined in broader terms. On the table at Fontainebleau will be the so-called draft Treaty of Union passed by the European Parliament and referred to the Council of Ministers. This document, with its element of heightened supranationalism (including a switch from unanimous to majority voting by the Council of Ministers) seems to have received something like a blessing from President Mitterrand. It also assumes that some categories of questions should be designated for the ultimate decision of the Community rather than reserving the ultimate decision to national governments.

That goes far beyond what is feasible certainly in a larger and more variegated Community. Mrs Thatcher is right to stand by the veto. There are better ways of making good political use of the Community at this stage than by indulging in the facile rhetoric of supranationalism. The Community will be strong only if it is built on political as well as economic realities – and both are at issue at Fontainebleau next week.

PALL OF POLLUTION

To protect them from an anticipated acid drizzle of disapproval from their fellow environment ministers of the EEC, the British delegation to the meeting in Munich next week about international pollution have equipped themselves with a new umbrella in the form of a technical report from the Department of Energy. It shows that the acid rain which notoriously drifts eastward across Europe from Britain is not as much to blame for the dying fish and withering trees in neighbouring countries as is sometimes alleged. But the other ministers are not likely to let the new evidence deflect them from pressing Britain to adopt further costly anti-pollution measures for the power stations which are said to do most of the damage.

The new report falls some way short of exonerating the power stations. Another report this week, from the Nature Conservancy Council, whose interest in the matter is not identical with that of the Department of Energy, was much more critical. There is still wide room for dispute over cause and effect, and a need for a great deal more research. The Royal Society concluded earlier this year, after a six-year study, that the case against British industry was far from proved. The measures necessary to suppress the implicated emissions effectively would be extremely costly, and Britain's neighbours cannot expect her to enter upon a crash programme while there is still so much that is speculative in the argument.

Recent studies of the chemistry and meteorology involved have indicated that emissions from Britain (which are now falling in any case) contributed only about 1.5 per cent of pollution that is affecting the Scandinavian lakes. The prevailing winds make central European sources a more significant contributor than had been supposed to the pollution which is killing many of Germany's mountain conifers. In addition, sulphur emissions now appear to be less important in that context than nitrogen ones, for which local traffic may be more to blame than distant power stations.

Local geology and seasonal factors have much more influence on the puzzlingly patchy pattern of damage than had been thought. It may be ozone which is killing the trees (those most affected are mostly at the extreme edge of their ecological range, where even marginal changes in conditions can be decisive), and natural aluminium dissolved from certain soils may be the main poisoner of the fish. But pollution has a share in these processes, and the case against industry remains a formidable one.

It would be right to encourage progressive further cuts in emissions. The coal and electricity industries have declared that cleaning up the smoke would add 5 or 6 per cent to consumer prices. If allowance is made for special pleading, this suggests that major improvements are attainable without undue expense over a period of ten years or so. In the short term, considerable improvement may be made by timing emissions to be at their lowest when they are most likely to be deposited over Europe.

Where grants and allowances are made for the heavy capital investment of adaptation, preference should be given to measures improving the efficiency with which the fuel is used. Fluidized burning at high temperatures extracts more energy from each ton of fuel and leaves a much purer waste product. Filters and fume scrubbers attached to inherently less efficient stations are a fundamentally makeshift expedient. This is one instance where conservation of resources and conservation of the environment both point in the same direction.

THE GIOCONDA SQUINT

History does not yet relate what were Mrs Thatcher's instructions to Mr Rodrigo Moynihan when she sat for him. They do not appear to have been on all fours with the instructions received by Sir Peter Lely, "I desire you would ... remark all these roughnesses, pimples, warts, and everything as you see me." No such blemishes disfigure the countenance of the Prime Minister. There were however matters requiring her attention as the canvas began to come to life. Tints in the hair, the pigmentation of the irises, and just a hint of a squint.

"She likes to make suggestions," the artist observed, "and, alarmingly, they seemed to be rather right." That is delicately put. Many a departmental minister will recognize the situation. Mr Pym has devoted a book to it. There is more than one way of being alarmingly right.

The picture is now out of the sitter's hands. It is the property of the National Portrait Gallery. Mrs Thatcher, like the good democrat she is, has said resignedly that it is now for the public to judge. Mr Moynihan stands by to have another go at the eyes if required. Reproductions on newsprint are not of a quality that permits one to have an opinion.

The appropriate way to decide the matter would be for the National Portrait Gallery to supply ballot forms in the place where the painting is on view. They should bear two simple questions, both requiring a yes or no answer: "Does it make her squint?" and "Should it make her squint?" Though not ideal, being more in the nature of a pit head ballot than a postal ballot, the arrangement would have the confidence of the public if it were supervised by the Electoral Reform Society. On the basis of the count a panel of impartial experts (The Prince of Wales, Mr Peter Palumbo and Mr Gavin Stamp) would decide what if any action should be taken.

It would be no more possible on this occasion than in any other appeal to the people to inoculate the issue against infection by political prejudice and irrelevance. One runs the risk therefore of getting an aesthetic verdict clouded by such potent concoctions as rate capping and milk quotas. But it is the genius of the democratic system to achieve the best outcome by ways that scarcely bear examination. The best outcome in this case would be one of confusion. Then the painting would be able to keep its teasing ambiguity, and become an addition to the great enigmas of portraiture: Madonna Lisa – is she smiling? The Cavalier – is he laughing? The Prime Minister – is she seeing straight?

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Northern Ireland a place apart

From Miss Dervla Murphy

Sir, Some soldiers, whose capacity for reasoning is limited, understandably feel that Northern Irish terrorists should be brought back "dead or alive" by the security forces. It is, however, disturbing that a man who has been "senior legal adviser on the staff of the GOC at HQ Northern Ireland" (letter, June 12) should still see the complex problems of that area in terms of law and order versus terrorism.

Lieutenant-Colonel Wakerley's letter has done a service for the IRA, who repeatedly claim to be "at war" with the security forces. If the British Government accepted this definition of the problem a "military solution" would make short-term sense. In the long term, however, it would merely worsen the problem and the Government knows this.

Therefore, on the military level, those politicians and civil servants whose attitudes Lieutenant-Colonel Wakerley implicitly criticises have continued steadfastly to treat Northern Ireland as part of the UK by supporting "the restrictive rules of engagement set out in the Yellow Card issued to all soldiers in the province." Consequently the British Army (apart from the UDR) has earned the admiration of the world by handling a cruelly demanding task with civilized restraint.

There have indeed been many serious lapses – by British standards – over the years. But had any other army been doing the job, these would seem minor incidents.

Northern Ireland *is* part of the UK, and we are often reminded that Belfast is as British as East Finchley.

If three unarmed criminals were shot dead by three London policemen in East Finchley, what would be the reactions of the public and the judiciary? Would the policemen be congratulated by a senior judge for having brought their victims to "the final court of justice"? Lord Justice Gibson and Lieutenant-Colonel Wakerley seem to have forgotten that even men proved guilty of mass murder are not sentenced to death in the UK.

There is a case to be made for modifying the rules set out in the Yellow Card, *without* putting the anti-IRA campaign on a war footing and giving the changed rules maximum publicity. Before making any such changes the British Government would, of course, have to admit that Belfast is *not* as British as East Finchley – that Northern Ireland has never been, is not and never can be like any other part of the UK.

Neither is it like any other part of the island of Ireland, which is why the "unitary state" discussed in the recent Forum report cannot be seriously considered as a solution.

Yours faithfully,
DERVLA MURPHY,
The Old Market,
Lismore,
co Waterford,
Republic of Ireland.
June 14.

Tennis tantrums

From Lady Burton of Coventry

Sir, For me, as for countless others, Wimbledon *is* tennis and the championships there rank as number one in the world. The Wimbledon administration has never lacked courage when innovative action seemed necessary for the advancement and good of the game. For example, the throwing open of the championships to professional players.

Is it not time for another step forward? Surely it must be obvious that the behaviour of John McEnroe (and Jimmy Connors on June 15) will continue until such behaviour is no longer tolerated and the offending player disqualified. Fines are quite useless in this financial category.

Time and again we are sickened by all this and *also* (I am afraid) by the subservience of those in charge of the actual game in progress. As stated in your columns today (June 18) "too many tournament officials are either unable or unwilling to apply the rules concerning court conduct".

Sir, there are some considerations more important than box-office receipts; and these might not even suffer in the long run. Courage attracts support.

Yours faithfully,
BURTON of COVENTRY,
House of Lords.

A voice in Europe

From Professor Emeritus H. H. Lamb

Sir, Once again Britain's primitive electoral system has produced no representation at all for the 20 per cent of the British voters who supported the Alliance candidates. This electoral system, moreover, is well known to be contrary to the prescribed rules for election to the European Parliament and may be of doubtful legality in the present case.

The result affects all the nations in the Community because it distorts the balance of parties in the Parliament.

Is there not a connexion between our Government's practice of ignoring minorities and their legitimate grievances and, when it suits the Government, also to ignore the rules prescribed by law, and the violent confrontation now reported daily on the miners' picket lines – and indeed the habit of confrontation rather than discussion and negotiation at so many points of our national life?

God forbid that this violence should spread because a government closed the safety valves and refused to listen to the rumblings of disaster.

Yours faithfully,
HUBERT H. LAMB,
University of East Anglia,
School of Environmental Sciences,
Norwich.
June 19.

Cost to councils of teachers' pay award

From Mr F. G. R. Gimblett

Sir, Mr McAvoy's letter (June 21) gives the impression that the funding of teachers' salaries and any increases which could arise from an arbitration award are matters of sole concern to the Government. However, as he knows, the real situation is quite different.

Any pay award to the teachers will have to be found by the employers – the local authorities – and since many of these authorities will have formulated their budgets on the Government's recommended basis of a 3 per cent increase for pay awards in 1984/85, substantial increases such as those hinted at by various teachers' unions (including Mr McAvoy's) could leave them with serious financial problems.

Perhaps I could illustrate this by referring to the situation here in Berkshire. This authority drew up its budget on the Government's recommended basis and adjusted its proposed spending in 1984/85 to agree exactly with the spending target set by the Department of the Environment. Any additional expenditure over this target will attract a "penalty" in the form of a reduction in the rate support grant.

A pay settlement of (say) a 7½ per cent increase for the teachers will cost this authority £3m, a sum which could be met from the council's reserves. However such spending above target would be accompanied by a loss of rate support grant which could be as high as £4 for every £1 spent.

Hence the cost of a settlement at a level which may not even be acceptable to some teachers' unions would cost Berkshire not just £3m but £15m if the Government's "penalty" is added on top.

I am sure that Mr McAvoy would agree that this is a situation which no responsible authority can view without concern. It is this concern which has prompted many (including Berkshire) to resist calls for arbitration without pre-agreed conditions. As far as we are concerned, a major condition should be the exclusion of the cost of such a settlement from "penalty".

Perhaps this is what Mr McAvoy was hinting at obliquely in his letter. If so, it would be far better if his union ceased its disruptive actions in the schools and sought, in consort with the local authorities, ways of reaching a settlement which will be acceptable to all parties in this present dispute.

Yours sincerely,
GARETH GIMBLETT (Leader, Conservatives Group),
Berkshire County Council,
Shire Hall,
Reading,
Berkshire.
June 21.

Controls on video

From Lord Houghton of Sowerby, CH and Lord Jenkins of Putney

Sir, Your intemperate attack (leading article, June 16) on dissenting peers on the Video Recordings Bill must be replied to. We in the Lords are doing what that body now claims to be its principal role to improve the wisdom and correct the errors of the House of Commons.

This is not a "filibuster" or other procedural device to obstruct, block, or bring about the defeat of the Bill through lack of time. We are merely being diligent.

Only a few weeks ago you were warning against "Abusing the statute book" (May 5). Now (June 16) you are scolding a group of peers for repeating and emphasising your earlier wisdom on this subject in the House of Lords.

On May 5 you were saying, apropos of glue-sniffing, that "legislation thrust on a government by the British people in one of its periodic fits of morality is apt all too often to prove irrelevant or actually harmful when it comes to be applied in the courts". We took that as our text throughout the debates on this Bill.

The objects of the Bill are worthy and simple enough, but the legal apparatus for regulation and enforcement needed to control all our video viewing is a statutory nightmare. It is a well qualified candidate for your criticism (May 5) of the faults of legislation "hastily conceived in a moral fit".

To protect children from "nasties" the Bill adds a new dimension to the ever-widening area of the criminal law. You placidly say "to deal in unclassified video-nasties will be illegal". It is much more than that. To deal in any unclassified video outside a narrowly defined group of exemptions will be illegal, however harmless and suitable for family viewing they may be.

It will be an offence, risking a heavy fine, for any private citizen as well as dealers to offer for sale or to exchange for reward, or for any activity in a club, a non-exempt video not bearing the actual label of the censor.

The Bill gives the police, on a magistrate's warrant, power to raid homes, shops, or other premises under suspicion of harbouring an offence. The police will also have power to arrest without warrant any suspected person anywhere who refuses or fails to give his name and address on demand.

Unclassified videos of all kinds, benign and nasties alike, may be incriminating evidence. What is still worse is that classification by the censors will not by itself render a person immune from prosecution under the Obscene Publications Acts.

Attempts to get this "double jeopardy" out of the Bill have failed. The real censor will be the Director of Public Prosecutions.

Even today the police are prosecuting people selling the video versions of films already released for public showing by the British Board of Film Censors. What it will be like when the police get going on enforcement of the severity and inspired malice of this Bill remains to be seen.

A Bill "conceived hastily in a moral fit" to create the first state-appointed censors of public taste for 300 years, with a strong supporting cast of police, magistrates and courts, merits the full treatment in Parliament, dissenters and all.

Yours &c,
HOUGHTON OF SOWERBY,
HUGH JENKINS,
House of Lords.
June 18.

Defence of the West

From Dr David Owen, MP for Plymouth, Devonport (Social Democrat)

Sir, Today's editorial on "Nato's radical chance" (June 18) returns again to your previously expressed wish to make economies in the defence budget by reducing Britain's commitment to BAOR. It is admittedly a radical choice and it is an option which any government ought to consider, given the impossibility of meeting present commitments within the projected defence budget.

It is, however, a strange time to argue this when the US Senate is considering a proposal for the reduction of 100,000 US troops in Europe over the next five years and when we have still to make a breakthrough in the MBFR (mutual balanced force reductions) talks in Vienna.

I did, however, give very serious consideration to this option on a number of occasions when Foreign Secretary, but I rejected it for reasons which I developed in my Mountbatten lecture. Your editorial, in which you claim that I said "that a quick conventional attack by the Soviet Union could leave a third of West Germany in Soviet hands within a day", is incorrect. Indeed if I had said that I would have been quite wrong. What I in fact said was that this would only happen if we abandoned the forward defence of Western Germany.

For the benefit of your readers who will have been misled by your editorial, the particular passage in my Mountbatten lecture reads as follows:

West Germany has forsworn nuclear weapons, a decision made in the context of confidence in the US nuclear guarantee. It is all too easy for us in the UK to talk slightingly or uncomprehendingly about the nature of the US nuclear guarantee. It is a very different matter for a citizen of West Germany.

They face Soviet conventional forces in all the Warsaw Pact countries across a frontier where geography favours the Soviet Union. The present-day policies of Europe dictate the forward defence of West Germany, for otherwise a quick conventional attack could in 24 hours leave the Soviet Union with a third of West Germany.

To abandon the forward defence of Germany would be to fuel the internal movement for West Germany to withdraw or distance itself from Nato. It would also strengthen the external movement to prise West Germany from Nato long fostered by the Soviet Union.

I hope we will now have a debate on the radical choices available both to the United Kingdom and to Nato, but you, Sir, must be prepared to recognise the legitimate arguments of those of us within that debate who challenge the decision to purchase Trident, particularly, if I may say so, since I challenged Trident in government consistently from 1977 to 1979.

Yours faithfully,
DAVID OWEN,
House of Commons.
June 18.

The Mies building

From Sir James Richards

Sir, May I correct the last paragraph of your report, published this morning (June 20), of the evidence I gave at the Mansion House Square inquiry?

After expressing my high regard for Mies van der Rohe and his architecture I did not, as you report, object to the square that forms another part of the project because "it would be too small to fit in with the City's layout".

On the contrary I said that *any* open space would be foreign to the traditional layout of the City, but added that this one was in any case too small to provide an escape from traffic and its noise and smells.

You go on to quote me as saying that the square would be "unbalanced by the lack of different styles".

What I in fact criticized was that the buildings whose facades would be exposed by demolition to form three sides of the square (the Mies building forming the fourth) were either too undistinguished architecturally or too miscellaneous in their arrangement to make such a formally conceived square a success.

Yours faithfully,
J. M. RICHARDS,
29 Fawcett Street, SW10.
June 20.

Conflict of creeds

From Mr N. R. MacNicol

Sir, Evidently Newspeak, the device to inhibit certain modes of thought, is alive and well in 1984. Theologians who are trained to think in the Greek (i.e., scientific) way are unable to grasp the spiritual truths expressed by the Hebrew writers of the Old Testament, who would have found the scientific concept of history wholly alien. In "spiritual" history Adam did fall, the sun stood still and Balaam's Ass spoke.

The truth of the Gospel cannot be proven scientifically, but doubts are quickly dispelled by personal experience of the living Christ. Sadly, it remains a stumbling block to the Jews and foolishness to the Greeks some of whom have written to you.

Yours faithfully,
N. R. MacNICOL,
Applecross,
9 Church Lane,
Greetham,
Rutland.
June 13.

Ariel's threat to Shakespeare

From the Chief Executive and Joint Artistic Director of the Royal Shakespeare Company

Sir, There have been numerous occasions when the RSC has been accused of "crying wolf" when we have predicted the date on which one or other of our theatres would have to go out of business unless help urgently arrived. The wolf was always real and help, in the best cavalry traditions, always got there in the nick of time.

Now, once again, one of our theatres is threatened with imminent extinction. This time it is our headquarters, the Royal Shakespeare Theatre in Stratford-upon-Avon; but this time the problem has nothing to do with lack of funds.

The wolf is in the form of BBC External Broadcasting, who, at the instigation of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, are determined to build a giant high-frequency transmitter at Bearley, three miles from Shakespeare's birthplace.

We understand that such a transmitter is necessary, but since we know that other sites are available, we cannot see the necessity of erecting it in an area where it will seriously disturb the lives and livelihoods of a community of 22,000 people.

From tests already conducted as part of a public enquiry we know that all electronic equipment in our theatre, from typewriters to the computers that run our lighting system, sound system and box office, could be rendered inoperable, and at best entirely unreliable, by such a transmitter.

The fact that our systems would be "seriously affected by radio interference" has been confirmed by the Senior Director of Development and Technology at British Telecom.

The inspector who conducted the public enquiry is due to report to the Minister for the Environment in the very near future. Mr Jenkin will naturally consider the havoc that will be wreaked in domestic television and radio reception and business computer performance in the surrounding area and he is bound to take into account the violation of the green belt and the desecration of the environment in such close proximity to Shakespeare's birthplace.

But we urge him, too, before he makes his judgment, to believe that the very theatre which the Government has so recently helped to survive will be killed off if this [illegible] is not stopped.

Yours faithfully,
TREVOR NUNN,
Chief Executive and Joint Artistic Director,
Royal Shakespeare Company,
Barbican, EC2.

Tribute to Penguin

From Professor P. Bradshaw, FRS.

Sir, In his jubilee tribute to Penguin Books Sir Roy Strong (feature, June 16) affectionately recalls their paperbacks on his own professional subjects of visual arts and history. But keen students will always make sacrifices to buy books on their own subjects, forgoing expenditure on food, entertainment and – manifestly – clothes, just as Chaucer's Clerk of Oxenford did.

Penguins' special achievement was to put *non*-essential books within reach, so that in the fifties a science student like me, quivering from spending a week's grant on a textbook, could buy *Aristotle and his Philosophie* for three and sixpence.

Most of all, the post-war young, who are now rising to the highest positions in the country, were able to buy Pelicans on economics, politics and the social sciences, representing all shades of opinion from red to reactionary.

Allen Lane was no philanthropist in either sense of the word, but his books have done as much as Andrew Carnegie's libraries did to enlighten a generation and mould its social conscience.

Yours etc,
PETER BRADSHAW,
67a Blandford Road,
Teddington,
Middlesex.
June 17.

A woman's work

From Mrs Mary Tyler

Sir, Mrs Briggs (June 19) rightly points out the need to break the stereotypes of man the breadwinner and woman the child-carer. Only then will we give financial recognition for the contribution to society of those providing child care in the home as well as those in paid work.

At present allowances are available to breadwinners for their spouses, whether or not in employment, and for wives in paid employment. We need to give status to child care (whether by man or woman) by changing our system to provide a benefit for child care payable to the main provider of this care.

Financial recognition of this valuable contribution to the quality of life of the community would reduce the financial burden to families of young children, without increasing the poverty and unemployment traps.

Yours sincerely,
MARY TYLER,
2 Corringway, NW11.
June 19.

Changing times

From Commander G. Cobb, RN (retd)

Sir, We don't want to play
But, by bingo, if we do,
We'll think the less of Auntie,
Yet we'll stick to her like glue.

Yours sincerely,
GERALD COBB,
Stoke Cottage,
Meonstoke,
Southampton,
Hampshire.
June 20.



COURT AND SOCIAL

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WINDSOR CASTLE
June 22: The Queen, with The Duke of Edinburgh, honoured Ascot Races with her presence today.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
June 22: The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips this morning visited the Bournemouth YMCA (Chairman, Mr A. C. Roberts) and opened the new wing of the building.

Her Royal Highness travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight and was received on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Dorset (Colonel Sir Joseph Weld).

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, Colonel-in-Chief, the Royal Corps of Signals, later visited Plessey Ltd at Christchurch, and in the afternoon watched the Ptarmigan System Trials at Westdown Camp, Tisbury, Wiltshire.

Her Royal Highness was received by the Master of Signals (Major-General J. M. W. Badcock).

Mrs Malcolm Innes was in attendance.

The Duchess of Kent will open the new check-in hall at Manchester International Airport on June 28.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr M. G. Brafman and Miss J. M. Lucy
The engagement is announced between Mark, elder son of Jack and Daphne Brafman, of London, and Julia, elder daughter of Leslie and Sylvia Lucy, of Rochampton.

Mr T. J. Courlander and Miss C. M. A. Corner
The marriage will take place shortly between Toby, younger son of Mr and Mrs Patrick Courlander, of Ham Common, Surrey, and Camilla, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Corner, of Sedlescombe, Sussex.

Dr A. J. Petros and Miss L. O. Neville
The engagement is announced between Andranick Joseph, only son of the late Mr Sahak Petros and Mrs Gertrude Petros, of Harpenden, Hertfordshire, and Louise Olwen, elder daughter of Mr Kenneth Neville, of Sydney, Australia, and Mrs Joanne Neville of Eastbourne, Sussex.

Mr L. R. Simon and Miss B. A. Hughes
The engagement is announced between Leslie Robert, son of Mr Daniel Simon and the late Mrs Nora Simon, of Wrexham, Clwyd, and Barbara Anne, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Hughes, of Camberley, Surrey.

Mr D. W. Stogdale and Miss N. A. French
The engagement is announced between David, younger son of Mr Leslie Stogdale and the late Mrs Gaynor Stogdale, of Carlisle, and Nicola, daughter of Major Maurice French, of Warminster, Wiltshire, and Mrs Heather Stewart, of Nairobi, and stepdaughter of Mrs Maurice French.

The Rev R. J. A. Tulloch and Dr J. Schofield
The engagement is announced between Richard Tulloch, MA (Oxon), eldest son of Mr J. R. M. Tulloch, of Chepstow, and Mrs H. N. Tulloch, of Cape Province; and Janet Gillespie, elder daughter of Mr Graham Schofield, FRCS, and Dr Anne Schofield, of Newlands, Glasgow.

Mr C. Homersham and Miss N. Sims
The engagement is announced today between Clifford Homersham and Nicola, daughter of Mr and Mrs Sims.

Mr R. Weatherhead and Mrs W. Hill
The engagement is announced between Richard, eldest son of Mr and Mrs I. Weatherhead, of Pulborough, West Sussex, and Mrs Wanda Hill, of Pulborough, West Sussex.

Mr J. W. Wyant and Mrs B. L. Holloway
The engagement is announced between John William, son of Mrs C. Wyant and the late Mr J. W. Wyant of Hooley, Surrey, and Barbara Louise, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs D. R. Holloway, of Grange, Holt, near Wimborne, Dorset.

Marriages

Mr D Grant and Miss L. Collins
The marriage took place on May 24, 1984, between Mr Donald Grant, younger son of the late Gregor Grant and Mrs Ebs Grant, and Miss Lizbeth Collins, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs A. G. Collins, of Egham, Surrey. A reception was held at the Chelsea Arts Club.

Mr J. T. R. R. Prestige and Mrs J. A. Garratt
The Marriage took place quietly in Canterbury on June 20 between Mr Robert Prestige and Mrs Jo Garratt.

Mr D. G. Williams and Miss S. A. Briggs
The marriage took place on Saturday, June 16, at St Paul's church, Knightsbridge, of Mr Derek Gordon Williams, son of the late Mr and Mrs F. J. Williams, of Leatherhead, Surrey, and Miss Stephanie Anne Briggs, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Robert D. Briggs, of Mayfair, London, W1, and Houston, Texas. The Rev Roger Russell officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Joyce Briggs, Victoria Marshall and Lucy Marshall. Mr Michael Hendries was best man.

A reception was held at Les Ambassadeurs Club and the honeymoon is begin spent abroad.

Memorial service

Mr Edward Heath, MP, attended the memorial service for Miss Rose Bruford held at St Paul's, Covent Garden, yesterday. The Rev John Arrowsmith officiated, assisted by the Rev Michael Hurst-Bannister, Actors' Church Union. Miss Heather Barker read an extract from *Back to Methuselah*, by Bernard Shaw. Mr Robert Palmer read Sonnet XVIII, by William Shakespeare. Mr Chris Harris read Charles Causley's "Timothy Winters". Miss Ann Cronin read from *The Prophet*, by Kahlil Gibran, and Mr Jean-Norman Benedetti, Principal of the Rose Bruford College of Speech and Drama, read the lesson. Mr James Dodding gave an address. Among others present were:

Sylvia Countess De La Warr, Mr Michael Cormack (Conference of Drama Schools) and Lady Miranda Cormack, Miss Helen Cormack; Mr Anthony Easterbrook, Mr John Coleby, Miss Linda Tilbury and Mr Jonathan Brill (governors, Rose Bruford College of Speech and Drama), with Mr P Robins, deputy principal, and other members of staff and students.

Dr Oliver Neville (Royal Academy of Dramatic Art), Mr Raphael Jago, (Webber-Douglas Academy of Dramatic Art) and Mrs Jago, Mr Peter Coxhead (Mountview Theatre and School), Mr Ellis Ashton (Ruskin College, Oxford), Mrs A Price (Plaxtol Nursing Home), Miss Betty Dags (RADIUS, representing Brondesbury and Kilburn High School Old Girls' Association), Brigadier C Hunt, Mr and Mrs Harry Ingram, Mr Clifford John Williams, Mr Derek Trevill, Miss Wynn Baylis (London Drama Association), Mr Leo Baker, Mrs E A Crawford, Mr M Crawford, Miss H Crawford, Mr Rufus Crawford, Mrs N Cronin, Mrs A Lawrence, Miss Penny Whittam, Mr Patrick McLoughlin, Mrs E Ball, Mrs J Wrennall, Mr John Owens, Mr Anthony Siamboulieh, Mr John Brunsden, Mr John Pennington, Mrs G Jones, Miss Penny Jones, Mrs G Whittam, Mr and Mrs Geoffrey Hodson, Mr Geoffrey Rae, Mr Michael Houlkes, Mr R Mangan, and Mr Keith Hargreaves.

A memorial service for Miss Bruford was also held in New York yesterday.

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Challenge of science must be heard

There is nothing new in the methods used by the liberal theologians to come to their judgments just as there is nothing new in their honest intention to search for the truth about God. That they arrive at divergent opinions is not a phenomenon peculiar to this age. Nor is the conservative response unique either in its depth of passion or seeming intransigence. What we witness today is as old as theology itself, and many of those whose renowned names grace the weekly calendar were once subject to criticisms similar to the ones now ranged against the liberal scholars.

Athanasius, Aquinas, Luther, and F. D. Maurice were all held suspect of heresy by the conservative establishment in the Church of their own generation. However, then as now, it will be proved that genuine intellectual integrity will not lose its freedom even if it is preserved at some considerable personal cost to those who share in it.

It is the Church which is in danger rather than the theologians, and in danger from within, the only kind which can successfully prevail against it. Since the Reformation the officially recognized purpose of Christian theological thinking has been the defence of doctrine. As a result of that obsession the developing world of the philosophy of science has drifted towards liberal humanism to find a frame of social reference.

It is now commonplace to talk of "science and religion" as being at worst in inevitable opposition or at best in need of reconciliation. In an attempt to provide clear confessional boundaries the various Christian churches have established a protectionist attitude to theological method and to supposed dogmatic "given". Thus, there are certain beliefs which it seems may not be examined let alone challenged, unless the theologian concerned is prepared to lose the support of his Church may seem to those who stand outside the community of believers as morally indefensible in any group committed to freedom of speech. However the need to exclude those who question the way foundation beliefs are to be understood may rightly be assumed to be a symptom emerging from a community which is unsure of the grounds for its own stability. It is a lack of confidence which converts what might become a fruitful debate into a confrontation, and which wields the bludgeon of authority over respected scholars.

There has developed a clearly discernible gulf between the Church's professed understanding of reality and that held by secular society. Because its own members live of necessity with both world views they are compelled to straddle the gap by the use of mental and spiritual gymnastics demanding extraordinary agility.

For many the effort becomes too much, and they contract out in favour of commonsense and reason. Others, allowing emotion a high value in the formation of belief, leap over on to the "religious" plane, leaving all secularity behind.

Before that gulf becomes too wide for even the most flexible mind to bridge, the Church must respond to the challenge it presents; otherwise the Christian religion will be left to those who feel that the soundest test for authentic faith comes when the most incredible proposition is accepted as true in consequence of an act of divine illumination.

It is the liberal theologians who are in the vanguard of such a response, for they are seeking to operate from a single understanding of reality which includes the perceptions of the study of science as well as the insights of religious tradition contrary to the view that is popularly promoted. They are therefore about the process of healing rather than engaged in a destructive enterprise.

It is only from the resultant condition of integrity of belief that the Church can hope to pursue its purpose of making known the presence of God within his world. The Church's internal unity and future of mission are dependent upon its present response to the advancement of the theological debate. Without a proper commitment to theology, neither changes in liturgy, the growth of lay participation, nor the reordering of the structures of authority can save it from becoming a slowly declining sect.

When confronted with similar challenges in the past the Church has chosen most often to balk the issue and err on the side of the status quo. That has always resulted in unhappy consequences. But in previous generations the Church was able to rest upon its temporal power and social status to carry it through periods when it lost intellectual and spiritual credibility.

No longer can those factors be guaranteed as supports. If the Church is to regain its influence for good it must first be seen to be taking seriously the challenges presented to its doctrinal propositions by the insights of contemporary thought and scientific discovery. In this, it must support positively and courageously the efforts of its theologians and have faith that the God of truth is on the side of integrity.

John A. White
Canon of Windsor

Birthdays

TODAY: M Jean Anouilh, 74; Sir N. Richard Brooke, 74; Lord Bruntisfield, 85; the Rev Professor H. Chadwick, 64; Mr I. O. Chance, 74; Sir Oswald Davies, 64; Mr Bob Fosse, 57; the Most Rev Dr J. S. Habgood, 57; Mr Julian Hipwood, 38; Admiral Sir Frank Hopkins, 74; Sir Leonard Hutton, 68; Miss Miriam Karlin, 59; Miss Margaret Lane, 77; Admiral Sir Horace Law, 73; Mrs Patricia McLaughlin, 68; Mr Ian A. D. Maclean, 82; Dr J. E. Meade, 77; Professor Martin Rees, 42; Sir Peter Roberts, 72; Professor Issac Schapera, 79; Mr Ted Tinling, 74; Admiral Sir Francis Turner, 72; Miss Irene Worth, 68.

TOMORROW: Sir Bernard Braine, MP, 70; Mr Juan Fangio, 73; Professor Sir Fred Hoyle, 69; Sir John Jackson, 59; Mr Brian Johnston, 72; Lord Palmer, 68; Lord Penney, OM, 75; Lieutenant-General Sir William Pike, 79; Professor John Postgate, 62; Miss Betty Stove, 39; Mr Justice Whitford, 71.

Latest appointments

Latest appointments include

Mr J. N. H. Blelloch, aged 53, Deputy Under-Secretary (Policy and Programmes), Ministry of Defence, to be Second Permanent Secretary from September 22 in succession to Sir Ewen Broadbent, who is retiring from the Civil Service.

Mrs Mary Jager to be Director of Special Appeals for the Royal National Mission to Deep Sea Fishermen.

Deputy Assistant Commissioner John Cracknell, of the Metropolitan Police, to be head of the Royalty and Diplomatic Protection Department on August 1, in succession to Deputy Assistant Commissioner Colin Smith. Mr Smith is to become Deputy Assistant Commissioner of No 1 (West London) Area.

Legal

Mr D. J. Griffiths to be a circuit judge on the South Eastern Circuit.

Chaplains to Queen

Canon E A James, director of Christian Action, and Canon J. F. Hester, Vicar of Brighton, have been appointed Chaplains to the Queen.

Lincoln's Inn

Sir George Engle, QC, has been appointed an Ordinary Bencher of Lincoln's Inn.

Russia v The Rest: Anatoly Karpov (left), the world champion, and Gary Kasparov, the rising star of Soviet chess, at Heathrow airport yesterday when they flew in from Moscow as part of a 12-man team to play in a USSR v The rest of the world tournament in London next week. Three former world champions, Mikhail Tal, Vasily Smyslov, and Tigran Petrosian, are also in the Russian team. Their opponents include Viktor Korchnoi, the former world challenger now living in Switzerland. The six-day tournament is being held at the Northern and Shell building at the Isle of Dogs in east London.

Services tomorrow: First Sunday after Trinity

ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL: HC 8; M 10.30, Jub TD, Boyce in C (Victoria), Int, Jesu, the very thought of thee (Bairstow); E, 3.15, Mag and Nunc dimittis: short service (Orr), A Like as the hart (Howells), Archdeacon OP London.

WESTMINSTER ABBEY: HC 8; M 10.30 Ireland in F, God Liveth Victoria Missa "O quam gloriosum,"; E 3, Dyson in D, Let all the world (Vaughan Williams), R Rev E G Knapp-Fisher; 5.55: recital by St Andrews University Madrigal Group; ES, 6.30, Rev C Taylor.

SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL: HC, 9; Eucharist, 11, Stanford in C, A, Rev Dr G McPhate; E 3, Dyson in F, A, Rejoice in the Lord (Redford), Canon G Parrott.

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ST BARTHOLOMEW-THE-GREAT PRIORY: HC, 9; M, 11, TD, Ireland in F, A, Greater Love (Ireland); E, 6.30, Short Service (Gibbons); A, Tibi laus (Philips), the Rector.

ST BRIDE'S, Fleet Street: HC, 8.30; Choral M and Eucharist, 11; Vaughan Williams in D minor, Jub, Child in B flat, Prebendary Dewi Morgan; ES, 6.30.

ST GEORGE'S, Hanover Square: HC, 8.30; Sung Eucharist, 11, Stanford in A, the Souls of the Righteous (Murrill), the Rector.

ST JAMES'S, Piccadilly: HC, 8.30; Sung Eucharist, 11; EP, 6.

ST MARGARET'S, Westminster: HC, 8.15, 12.15; Choral M and Sermon, 11, Canon T Beeson.

ST MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS: HC (1662), 8; Family Communion, 9.45, Norman Ingram-Smith; MS, 11.30, Rev F Stevens; Choral E, 4.15; ES, 6.30, the Vicar.

ST MARY ABBOTS, Kensington: HC, 8 and 12.30; Sung Eucharist, 9.30, Rev M J Thompson; M, 11.15, the Vicar; E, 6.30, Rev P. M. Arnold.

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GROSVENOR CHAPEL, South Audley Street: HC, 8.15; Sung Eucharist, 11, Western Wynde Mass (Taverner), Oquam gloriosum (Victoria), Rev Dr A W Marks.

HOLY TRINITY, Brompton: HC, 8; HC (sung), 9; M, 11, Rev P J Whitworth; ES, 6.30, Rev J A K Millar.

HOLY TRINITY, Prince Consort Rd: HC, 8.30, 12.05; Choral MP, 11, Rev Dr M Israel.

HOLY TRINITY, Sloane St: HC, 8.30; Eucharist, 10.30, Canon Roberts; HC, 12.10.

ST ALBAN'S Holborn: Sunday in St Alban's Octave: SM, 9.30; HM, 11, Orgelsolomesse (Mozart), O how glorious (Harwood), Bishop of Newcastle; Solemn E and benediction, 3.30, Noble in B minor, Faire is the heaven (Harris); TD (Elgar); LM, 8.30.

... 8.30, 10, 11 (Sung Latin Mass), Missa in honorem St Stephanus (Goller), Ave verum corpus (Elgar), organ: 12.15, 4.15, 6.15.

REGENT SQUARE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH: (United Reformed), Tavistock Place: Communion, 11, Rev W Workman; 6.30, Rev J Miller.

ST JOHN'S WOOD UNITED REFORMED CHURCH (Presbyterian/Congregationalist), Lord's Roundabout, 9.30 am, Rev J Miller.

CENTRAL HALL, Westminster: 11 and 6.30, Rev Dr R J Tudor.

WEST LONDON MISSION, Hinde Street Methodist Church, W1: 11, Herbert McGhie; 6.30, Rev S Jordan.

CITY TEMPLE, Holborn Viaduct: 11, Rev Dr B Johnson; 6.30, youth participation service.

WESTMINSTER CHAPEL, Buckingham Gate: 11 and 6.30, Rev Dr R T Kendall.

WESLEY'S CHAPEL, City Road: 11, Rev Dr R C Gibbins

Reception

Venerable Order of St John
Sir Maurice Dorman, Lord Prior of the Venerable Order of St John, accompanied by Lady Dorman, received the guests at a reception held at the Banqueting House, Whitehall, last night, on the eve of the general assembly of the order at the Mansion House and the service of commemoration and rededication in St Paul's Cathedral.

Dinners

HM Government
The Hon George Younger, Secretary of State of Scotland, was host at a dinner for editors of the Scottish Daily Newspaper Society in Edinburgh Castle last night.

Woolmen's Company
The Woolmen's Company held its ladies' dinner in Gray's Inn Hall last night. The Master, Mr Robin Auld, presided and the other speakers were, Mr Brian Dunn, managing director of the British Wool Marketing Board, and Mr Michael Burke-Gaffney. Other guests included Mr Alderman Hugh Bidwell and Sir John Pagan.

Garden party

Lady Meyjes
The High Sheriff of Surrey and Lady Meyjes gave a garden party for representatives of the civic and public life of the county at Longhill House, Farnham, yesterday. The guests included:

The Lord-Lieutenant of Surrey, the Bishop of Guildford, judges of the South-east Circuit, the Chairman of Surrey County Council, mayors and chairmen of Surrey district councils, members of parliament for Surrey constituencies, and representatives of county organizations.

Supper

Saint Barbara Association
Members of the Saint Barbara Association held a reunion buffet supper at HMS Excellent last night. The guest of honour was Admiral of the Fleet Lord Lewin, who was invited to unveil his portrait. It was commissioned by the association in honour of his attaining the rank of admiral of the fleet and his elevation to the peerage. Admirals of the Fleet Lord Hill-Norton, Sir Henry Leach and Sir Michael Pollock, Admirals Sir Desmond Dreyer, Sir Nigel Henderson and Sir Frank Twiss, and General Sir Peter Hellings were among those present.

Service dinner

Corps of Royal Engineers
The annual dinner of the Corps of Royal Engineers was held in the RE Headquarters Mess, Brompton Barracks, Chatham, last night. The Chief Royal Engineer, General Sir Hugh Beach, presided.

Service reunion

Bomb Alley Survivors
A reunion of Wardroom Officers, HMS Broadsword, 1982, was held at HMS Mercury yesterday. The guest of honour was Captain W. R. Canning, RN, Commander J. M. Castle, RN, presided and Lieutenant-Commander D. J. M. Mowlam, RN, proposed the toast to the ship and absent friends.

Bristol University

The annual general meeting of convocation of Bristol University, at which the election of representatives of Convocation on Court will take place, will be on July 21, 1984, at 11.15 am in the Winston Theatre, University Union, Queen's Road, Bristol BS8 1LN. All graduates of the university are welcome to attend. Further information may be obtained from: The Secretary of Convocation, University of Bristol, Senate House, Bristol BS8 1TH.

Honour for Connery

Sean Connery, the actor, has been elected a Fellow of the Royal Scottish Academy of Music and Drama.

OBITUARY

JOSEPH LOSEY

Film maker of considerable power

Joseph Losey, the American-born film director who spent much of his career working in Britain, died yesterday in London at the age of 75.

He was a talented and uncompromising film maker, whose work often had a considerable power, and he showed an impressive command of the cinema medium. Stylistically, he could be ornate to a degree reminiscent of the German expressionists of the 1920s, making dramatic use of lighting, camerawork and set design; or could effect a spare, unobstrusive style in which visual flourishes were almost entirely excluded.

After being blacklisted by Hollywood because of his left-wing political affiliations, Losey came to Europe in the early 1950s and for a while was forced to work under pseudonyms in order to get his films distributed. For some years, too, he was obliged to make whatever subjects were offered to him. But he later achieved a greater measure of artistic freedom and, particularly in collaboration with Harold Pinter as scriptwriter, produced some of the finest British films of the period.

Long before that he had been taken up by young critics in France and turned into something close to a cult figure, so that he enjoyed a far higher reputation on the continent than he did either in Britain or the United States. His output was uneven and he could be extravagant and self-indulgent; but his work was never ordinary and it invariably carried the personal signature that to him was the essence of the creative director.

Joseph Walton Losey was born in La Crosse, Wisconsin, on January 14, 1909, and educated at Dartmouth College, New Hampshire (where he studied medicine) and at Harvard. He gave up medicine for a career in the theatre, playing small parts as an actor and directing and producing plays. In 1936 he was responsible with others for The Living Newspaper, a Federal-backed theatre project based on the ideas of Bertolt Brecht. After the Second World War he directed a celebrated stage production of Brecht's *Galileo*, with Charles Laughton in the title role.

Losey's introduction to the cinema came in 1938 when he supervised documentary shorts for the Rockefeller Foundation and it was on factual films that he cut his teeth as a director. He made his feature début in 1948 with *The Boy With Green Hair*, an allegory about racial intolerance starring Pat O'Brien and the young Dean Stockwell.

From then until he fell foul of the House Un-American Activities Committee over his alleged past membership of the Communist Party, Losey directed a series of taut, socially aware thrillers in which he often showed an ability to transcend the limitations of low budgets and banal material. The best was probably *The Prowler* in which, not for the first time, he used the physical landscape to echo the emotional atmosphere.

Losey's first film in Britain, directed under the name Victor Hanbury, was *The Sleeping Tiger*, in which Dirk Bogarde played a young criminal. This was the first of several films on which the two worked together, and it was under Losey's direction that Bogarde gave some of his finest screen performances. In later films Losey found another sympathetic collaborator in Stanley Baker.

Baker played the central character in both *The Criminal* and in *Eve*; the latter, shot atmospherically in Venice, charted the humiliation of a Welsh librarian at the hands of the predatory Jeanne Moreau. *Eve* was heavily cut by the distributors and not until a fuller version was shown some years later did the quality of the film emerge.

In 1963 Losey gained almost universal critical acceptance for the first time with *The Servant*, which was written by Pinter and contained a haunting performance by Bogarde as a scheming manservant who gradually undermines and destroys his young master. Its critique of the British class structure was a theme to which Losey several times returned.

King and Country was a tightly filmed drama about a young deserter in the First World War and *Modesty Blaise* a decorative, if lightweight, version of the comic strip. *Accident*, from anothe Pinter script, was a more considerable piece which laid bare the emotions of two Oxford dons (Bogarde and Baker) whose lives are disrupted by a young Austrian student.

Losey made further reference to the British class system in his 1971 film, *The Go-Between*, adapted by Pinter from the L. P. Hartley novel about an illicit turn-of-the-century romance between an aristocrat's daughter (Julie Christie) and a tenant farmer (Alan Bates), and the boy who carries their love letters. The film won the Golden Palm award at Cannes.

Losey's later work, which did not reach quite the same standard, included adaptations of *Galileo* and Ibsen's *A Doll's House* and an enigmatic triangle story, *The Romantic Englishwoman*, with Michael Caine and Glenda Jackson. In 1979 he made an acclaimed screen version of Mozart's opera *Don Giovanni*.

His death came shortly after he had completed a film of Nell Dunn's play, *Steaming*, about a group of women fighting the closure of a turkish bath and starring Vanessa Redgrave, Sarah Miles and the late Diana Dors. He is survived by his fourth wife, Patricia, and two sons from a previous marriage.

SIR BLANSHARD STAMP

The Right Hon Sir Blanshard Stamp, who was Lord Justice of Appeal from 1971 to 1978, died on June 20 at the age of 79.

Edward Blanshard Stamp was born on March 21, 1905, the son of Alfred Edward Stamp, CB. He was educated at Gresham's School, Holt, and Trinity College, Cambridge. He was called to the Bar by the Inner Temple in 1929, but subsequently joined Lincoln's Inn *ad eundem* and became a Bencher of the latter Inn in 1956.

He was the nephew of J. H. Stamp, for many years Junior Counsel to the Treasury, and became a member of his uncle's chambers. During the Second World War he served as a civil servant in the War Office.

In 1954 he was appointed Junior Counsel to the Inland Revenue in Chancery matters, and in 1960 he became Junior Counsel to the Treasury. In 1964, after the elevation of Mr Justice Wilberforce to the House of Lords, he was appointed to be a Judge of the Chancery Division.

In his early days as a judge he appeared to find some of the work difficult and unfamiliar, but after a year or two he gained greatly in experience and confidence and developed into a strong and sensible judge. His speed of intake in the opening stages of a case was always slow, and he showed himself always grateful to counsel who opened with clarity and left the judge in no doubt as to what he was being asked to decide.

Nevertheless he always showed himself patient and helpful when addressed by beginners at the Bar who had yet to learn how to present their cases. His judgments were generally trenchant and frank; if he disbelieved a witness or disapproved of a party's conduct he was never afraid to say so, often with a certain vividness of phrase. He displayed also a pleasing sense of humour.

Shortly after his elevation to the Bench he had occasion to commit a man to prison for contempt of Court in a wardship matter; and he followed the then existing practice of making the order in camera. This led to some criticism in the press, and Stamp felt obliged to take the unusual step of making a statement from the Bench explaining his reasons. Shortly afterwards the practice was altered.

In 1971 Stamp presided over one of the early stages of the litigation between the former members of the Beatles. After Mr Paul McCartney had begun an action to dissolve his connexions with the other members of the group, Stamp made an order putting the affairs of the Beatles' company, Apple, in the hands of a receiver.

In private life he was kindly and charming, with a well developed sense of humour and was excellent company on social occasions. He was especially fond of foreign travel, taking great delight in long sea voyages.

He married firstly in 1934 Mildred, daughter of John Marcus Poer O'Shee. She died in 1971. In 1973 he married Mrs Pamela Joan Peters; they were separated in 1975. He had no children.

Latest wills

Miss Ethel Marguerite Stote Robinson, of Great Chesterford, Essex, left £1,844,105 net.

Lady Shuckburgh, of Shuckburgh, Daventry, left £217,230 net.

Other estates include (net, before tax paid):

Baldry, Mr Arthur Leonard, of Haywards Heath, stockbroker £499,940

Kleeman, Mr Jack, of St John's Wood, London £530,442

Slayter, Miss Amalia Dorothea Frances, of Dunsfold £370,579

Thwaites, Mr Norman William, of Oldham, stockbroker £281,455

Church news

Appointments

The Rev J R Prindle, curate of Delaval, in charge of New Hartley, diocese of Newcastle, to be vicar of St Bede Newsham, same diocese.

The Rev B C Reeve, Vicar of Christ Church, Stone, diocese of Lichfield, to be Vicar of All Saints, Hoole, diocese of Chester.

The Rev I Renwick, Vicar of All Saints Claverley, and priest-in-charge of Holy Innocents, Tuckhill, diocese of Hereford, to be Vicar of the united benefice of All Saints Claverley, and Holy Innocents, Tuckhill, same diocese.

The Rev B K Rice, to be Social Responsibility Officer, with responsibility for ministry to local government in the Teesside area, with permission to officiate, diocese of York.

The Rev C H Sarall, Vicar of Minehead and Rural Dean of Exmoor, diocese of Bath and Wells, to be also a Prebendary of Wells Cathedral, same diocese.

Science report

Effective relief from hay fever likely

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

An effective treatment for hay fever is predicted by doctors after the discovery of a primary group of chemicals in the body which cause the symptoms of the allergy. The research team which has focused on the family of molecules called peptide leukotrienes first identified them during experiments with cell cultures in the laboratory.

With knowledge from those tests, the research was extended to volunteers. Details of the trials by the seven scientists working with Dr Lawrence Lichtenstein at the Good Samaritan Hospital, Baltimore, and at the Merck Institute for Therapeutic Research, also in the United States, are published in the *New England Journal of Medicine*.

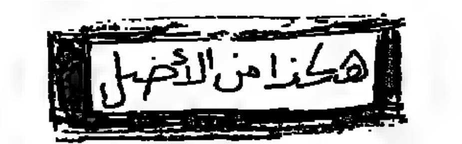
The report describes how peptide leukotrienes were released in people who had deliberately inhaled pollen grains of plants to which they were known to be sensitive. The administration of pollen grains to sufferers and controls was done in measured doses. The doses were 10, 100, 1,000 and 5,000 grains sprayed into the nose.

Non allergic individuals had neither the symptoms nor the release of the peptide. The relevance of the discovery lies in the role which the leukotriene molecules play through their properties as "potent inflammatory mediators". In that context, inflammation is the generic description applied to what happens in the defence reaction of the body's tissues to injury of any kind.

The inflammatory response clearly differs, say, between injuries ranging from scalds and burns, ulcers and abcesses, to the poisons from infections. But the chain of biochemical events which occurs to combat the damage has similarities with those which are also present in allergic reactions.

Among other effects, the leukotrienes produced in the hay fever tests change the permeability of blood vessels; being a potent constrictor of smooth muscle they stimulate airway mucus. In other words, they make it difficult to breathe, cause lung congestion, and make the nose run.

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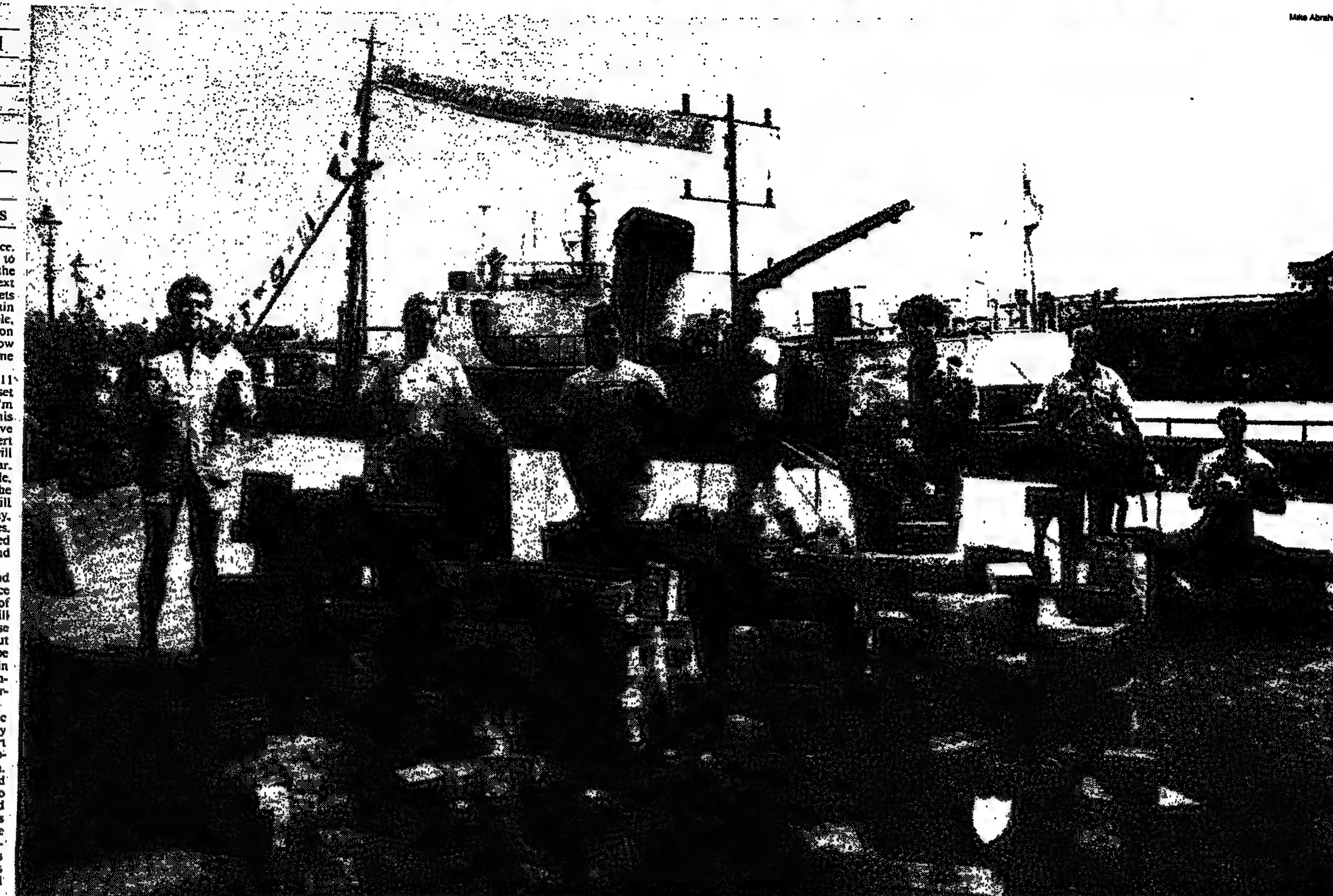




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Supplies and demands of the wild

Today's world might seem small but the urge to put down an exploratory boot is as great as ever. **Ronald Faux** salutes adventurers



Mike Abrahams

Cold comfort: Robert Swan (third from left) with five members of his Antarctic expedition and a small sample of their supplies. They will take the equivalent of 600 gallons of milk, 6,000 eggs, 9,000 cups of drinking chocolate, three quarters of a ton of flour and half a ton of pasta. Their ship is in the background

It is not, of course, a race. Both parties are at pains to emphasize the point. Yet the curious fact remains that next year, as a British expedition sets out on foot to retrace Captain Scott's route to the South Pole, an Anglo-Norwegian expedition will be setting off to follow Amundsen's route to the same objective, using dogs.

When Scott heard in 1911 that a rival expedition had set out he was not pleased. "I'm not rigged for racing", was his glum comment. He would have envied the equipment of Robert Swan and Roger Mear, who will follow his footsteps next year. Their food supply, for example, has been measured to the mouthful: Each man will consume 1lb 15oz of food a day, producing 5,227 kilocalories. Scott's daily rations weighed nearly half a pound more and produced about 4,350 kcal.

The spirit of the men and women who will brave the ice next year may match that of Scott; the temperatures they will endure will be as low as those encountered by Amundsen; but their essential aims will be different, reflecting an age in which conservation and scientific curiosity play an ever-increasing part.

The popularity of scientific expeditions is clearly shown by the applications for support received by the Royal Geographical Society, in London. They have just handled a record number. Of the 120 who applied, 85 won support and financial help: entomologists bound for Indonesia, cave divers for New Guinea, speleologists for Sarawak, climbers to the Karakoram – the list is long, the projects daring and ingenious.

The welfare state and a sense of a smaller, more vulnerable world has not lessened the zeal of those wanting to explore it. Outdoor pursuits are now integral to the education system, so seeds are planted early, and are watered by the exploits of Sir Ranulph Twisleton-Wykeham-Fiennes and Colonel John Blashford-Snell (names indeed to flatten a pathway through jungle).

The climbing adventures of Chris Bonington, Doug Scott and others, with the television programmes of David Attenborough, have all helped to foster the spirit of exploration. Physical training, too, has improved to a point where the fitness of next year's polar adventurers would have amazed Captain Scott.

Robert Swan, aged 27, is a marathon runner, skier and all-round climber. Roger Mear, aged 32, has an exceptional mountaineering record, including the north wall of the Eiger in winter and the first ascent of mountaineering routes in Alaska to his credit. They will winter with their support team near the base used by Scott, and Shackleton before him, before embarking on the 900-mile trek in October.

Each man will haul 325lb of food, fuel and equipment without benefit of air support or supply depots. In common with the Anglo-Norwegian team, they will return from the Pole by aircraft. Their intention is not only to rediscover Scott's route but also to press the case for conservation of the Antarctic as an unspoilt wilderness.

Their rival adventurers (if one may call them that) have a full scientific programme. The Amundsen expedition, called "90° South", will study glaciology and compare ground conditions with information from satellite photographs. It will be led by Dr Monica Kristensen, aged 33, of the Norwegian Polar Institute. She will be accompanied by Dr Neil McIntyre, of the Mullard Space Science Laboratory at London University, Nick Cox, formerly of the British Antarctic Survey, and Bjorn Wold, head of glaciology at the Norwegian Water Research Board.

Following Amundsen's route from the Bay of Whales, they will use skis and dog-hauled sledges, the choice of Amundsen when he won the polar race in December, 1911.

The scientific world, through universities and research organizations, helps to fund many expeditions, whether they are tracing the whereabouts of a rare ant or tracking the course of a glacier. Science gives respectability to an expedition prospectus. One non-scientific mountaineer who has done many "scientific" things during expeditions, admitted: "It's the old Protestant ethic. Some people don't like to admit, especially to sponsors, that they want to climb a particular mountain simply for enjoyment."

The traditional reason for exploration – to boldly go where no man has gone before – has worn a little thin. Corners of the world where no man has set down an exploratory boot are rare indeed. They do exist, however, and – from polar region to tropical rain forest, from 8,000m summits in the Himalayas to submarine caves in the Caribbean – the quest to reach them continues.

Meanwhile climbers head for old summits by new and more demanding routes, scientists re-explore what might be called the small print of remote regions to find fresh information, and others, like next year's polar voyagers, retrace the paths of famous explorers.

The surge of interest in exploration is mirrored by the growth of companies specializing in holiday-length expeditions to the Himalayan foothills, Africa and South America and other wilderness areas. Such tours are unlikely to risk life and limb but they offer sufficient challenge to allow a traveller to share some of the achievement of full-scale exploration.

The line dividing exploration and vacation is ill-defined now. Expeditions may range from packaged adventures along well-worn trails to a demanding assault on some remote mountain face where survival relies on good training, technical skill, judgment and good luck. As one climbing enthusiast put it: "Some people can get full satisfaction from simply admiring the Karakoram or wherever from a respectable distance. Others might only achieve that level of satisfaction by actually climbing the mountain. They need the commitment of the climb, the calculated risk and the sense of comradeship they can only get on a really difficult route. That's what gives them the buzz."

Cheaper travel has lowered costs, and otherwise neglected Third World countries are discovering the material benefits of becoming centres of exploration. Whatever romantic ideas explorers may have about themselves, they are really no more than fringe tourists, and their expeditions bring useful foreign currency into countries where it is desperately needed.

This has led to exploitation, particularly in China, where the government's mistreatment of the golden goose of adventure tourism makes mounting an expedition there a costly business. Nepal, too, is now bound by a mountaineering bureaucracy which demands permits and passes, liaison officers and insurance, strict lists of what may and may not be climbed and fee scales for everything. The mountains that Tilman, Shipton and Mallory explored at will because they were there are now the keystones of a major industry.

Such obstacles do not, however, seem to discourage the ever-growing number of explorers from all over the world, or taint their expectations. The bug clearly has a deep bite, as a Cumbrian climber proved to me recently. His small expedition to Everest had retreated after one man had suffered both pulmonary and cerebral oedema, another developed pleurisy, and a third was felled by a heart attack. Conditions on the mountain were dreadful, and a neighbouring expedition had been hit by an avalanche which killed one man. The cost had run into thousands of pounds for each individual, but no one had regretted being there. They had had bad luck on Everest and planned to return to another mountain in the same area. In fact, they had already booked it.

His attitude was typical of those who value the experience, the comradeship and the physical challenge of a serious climb perhaps more than the brief achievement of standing on the summit. Yachtsmen accept the challenge of great oceans in the same way, since the dangers from the elements are manifestly similar. Caught in their path, who would distinguish between a breaking, storm-driven wave and an avalanche of snow and ice? The Tall Ships Race and the Single-handed Transatlantic Race have underlined the dangers very recently although competitiveness is never so clearly a part of an expedition.

John Ridgeway's recent (and unsung) circumnavigation of the world, the fastest on record under sail, was more of a true and ascetic adventure. He and one companion stepped on board their ketch at Ardmore in northern Scotland and, having sighted nothing more than the occasional rock and headland, stepped off again in exactly the same place having circled the globe non-stop. "I had always wanted to do that, it was a simple ambition", John Ridgway declared.

That is not to say that the competitive urge is entirely dead among today's explorers. Robert Swan, for example, is concerned lest the two polar expeditions will be billed as a race. It would, he says, be not at all in the spirit of what he and his team are attempting. Yet he says: "I must admit that part of me relishes the idea, but I know what the public reaction would be. They have dogs, we are on foot – but we are starting a month before them so we should get a few hundred miles start. The important thing will be to keep it good-humoured, keep it tasteful . . ."

And the Amundsen team? A spokesman said: "I don't think it will have entered their minds that this could be construed as a race. Their programme is entirely scientific, and I suspect they would feel it was totally unimportant who happened to arrive first. I'm sure they will wish the other group the best of luck . . ."





Early days: Warming cup of Oxo for members of Scott's party; right, the white man's burden – 19th-century exploration in Africa

The road to discovery starts here . . .

The expeditions supported by the Royal Geographical Society represent the cream of British exploration, but thousands of others set out each year with adventurous objectives, on foot, by light aircraft, motor-cycle and sailing craft, often without the benefits of sponsorship or publicity.

Some seek support from the society. "We have had some quite extraordinary requests and heard some very odd ideas", says Nigel Winser, expedition officer at the society, who also set up its Expedition Advisory Centre. "People get some very odd notions about what is possible and what is not."

For bona fide expeditions, approval by the RGS – or the Mount Everest Foundation or British Mountaineering Council, in the case of climbing expeditions – is valuable, as it helps to ease the path to the doors of other sponsors. There is a trend among large companies to look upon expedition sponsorship as a good way of promoting both their corporate image and their products. To avoid the difficulties of deciding which applicants are most worthy of their support, some delegate the choice to the RGS by paying a lump sum for distribution among qualifying expeditions. The largest such benefits are the British Sugar awards, which total £10,000. Rio Tinto Zinc, Shell and Rolex are among the latest companies to follow this policy. Ultimate Equipment makes its own £5,000 award independently.

Mr Winser says: "Probably the first point to be sure about for anyone seeking this kind of experience is their background. Have they made any effort to train through the organizations that can help, like Outward Bound or the exploration societies which take young people? What do they know about surviving in hostile country? Is their experience such that their planned expedition is a logical next step?"

The screening committees of the RGS and the MEF measure the past records of the team members against what they plan to attempt. If they hope to climb an 8,000m peak without ancillary oxygen, how many of them have climbed to that altitude before? Are they being dangerously ambitious? Is the expedition prospectus well presented and comprehensive, and what are the members prepared to put into the effort themselves?

How will they work together as a team? Because of the high cost of mounting an expedition, the trend has been towards relatively small groups even when the objective has been a major peak or geographical undertaking. This inevitably means more work for fewer shoulders. Can they cope within the available time?

In other words, a screening committee basically seeks to be reassured that the objective is viable for a particular team and that they will have a responsible attitude to one another and to the area they will be exploring. According to Mr Winser, mountaineers in particular are sometimes scandalously unaware about the country they are climbing in, the community around them or even the kind of rock they are holding on to.

"We are trying to shake off these sort of colonial attitudes that we have the right to tramp in anywhere and do what we want. The impact of even a small expedition on an area can be very important, immediately and for anyone who wants to follow on later."

Excellent work is also done for young people by the British Schools Exploring Society, the Young Explorers' Trust and, lately, by Operation Raleigh which is sending 4,000 young people into the field on a variety of adventurous, scientific and community projects around the world.

Information about the **Mount Everest Foundation, the British Schools Exploring Society** and the **Young Explorers' Trust** from Expeditions Office, Royal Geographical Society, 1 Kensington Gore, London SW7 (01-589 5466).

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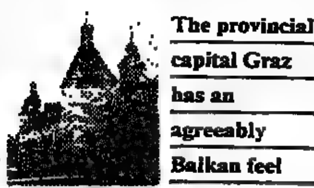
Michael Ratcliffe finds history, harmony and abundance in the Austrian countryside

Down the Danube's glorious gorge

Benedictines are the great magpies of the Church Acquisitive. When the Austrian abbey of Göttweig celebrated its nine hundredth birthday last year, it became clear that they never throw anything away. All manner of objects came out of the cupboards and from under the roof to go on public display: priceless silver monstrances and scarlet enamelled calendars of the saints; lace pictures, snuff boxes, tobacco pouches, the sensuous and tender religious paintings of the local master, Martin Johann ("Kremser") Schmidt, first editions of Haydn, Glück and Schumann to which the monks had subscribed, a missal with a goldfinch sitting on a single white rose and a Renaissance "portrait" of Virgil in yellow turban, forked beard and pince-nez.

The monks kept all the presents their many distinguished and often royal visitors gave them, and they even rediscovered for the anniversary meticulous working models of the engines constructed in 1720 to transport building materials up the hill on top of which the baroque abbey sits today like a great ark above the plain. It seems typical of Austrian Catholicism that, while women are still not allowed inside the library at Göttweig, the abbey boasts more than half a million day-trippers a year, most of whom sit in the enormous terrace café enjoying one of the best views in Lower Austria.

Göttweig, which with the riverside city of Krems, marks the easterly end of the glorious Danube gorge known as the Wachau, is the first of two perfect traveller's alternatives to the more famous rival foundation of Melk at whose cliffs, 20 miles upstream, the Wachau begins. The second is Artstetten, private home of the hapless Archduke Franz-Ferdinand – he of that second, fatal return to the bridge at Sarajevo on June 28, 1914. The Archduke and his morganatic wife Sophie retreated to Artstetten from the duties and unloving respect of Habsburg Vienna whenever they could. Habsburg buffs will need no further encouragement: others should go and prepare for a pleasant surprise.



The provincial capital Graz has an agreeably Balkan feel

There is nothing wrong with Melk, of course, except that it is the only international tourist honey-pot on the fast run from Salzburg to Vienna, which can be horrible if you arrive at the same time as everybody else from Britain, Germany, France, America and Japan. (Visitors to Göttweig tend to be local, or at the farthest Viennese.) Despite the success with which the Austrians' hydro-electric meddling has obscured in concrete the relation of the Danube and its banks Melk remains magnificent and the best starting point for a short sail or drive down the Wachau.

The Wachau has everything: great treasures, a great stream, an historic and harmoniously cultivated landscape, fish, fruit, ruins, cliffs, wine. The abundance and fruitfulness of the terrain – and this goes for most of Eastern Austria – astonishes the English traveller whose experience of the country is confined to Salzburg, the Tyrol or Vienna itself. By now the redcurrants will have been picked for the flans in the cafés and the sorbets at the Schloss Hotel in Dürnstein; walnuts, apricots and almonds will be ripening; oleanders in tubs will have been brought out of doors at the Richard Löwenherz Hotel in Dürnstein where I stayed and where they will flower unhindered throughout the summer under the illusion that they are in the real south.

Dürnstein, truly the jewel of the Wachau, is a marvellous place in the evening: high above the ruins of the castle where King Richard was imprisoned; down on the water, poplars shivering in the breeze, vineyards squeezed in everywhere, a hotel garden below old walls and always the great, full Danube, which here makes a spectacular double bend, flowing swiftly and deeply by.

You can, if you have to, "do" the Wachau in a day from Vienna, even by train, but far better to stay for two or three nights in Dürnstein, Krems or Spitz: it offers the perfect escape west from the city. Others include (south) the Schneeberg and the Rax mountains near Semmering, the last of the Eastern Alps, and (south-east) the historically half-Hungarian wine country of the Burgenland, about which I have written before in these pages. I will add nothing here beyond a reminder that it is easy to drive there from Vienna Airport and that the Burgenland is like nothing else in Western Europe: around the shores of the shallow Neusiedler See, storks nest in the villages and paprika dries in the sun; jolly people, lovely wine, enormous summer skies and Kalman's operetta *The Circus Princess* every Saturday and Sunday between July 13 and August 25 at Mörbisch. Even the Viennese relax here.

Semmering stands at the top of the oldest mainline mountain railway of continental Europe, constructed between 1848 and 1854 in the face of an outbreak of cholera, falling rock and other hazards of the time. The "Gondolière" express still goes through to Venice each day, but it is not what it was and Semmering without a Balkan hinterland is Semmering tamed, too far from Vienna for a night at the tables (Baden provides that), too near for summer motorists who wish to get on. However, a marvellously quixotic enterprise has totally restored the famous Panhans Hotel of 1888, even if it has done so in the Austrian version of Ghastly Good Taste, all chill greys and blues. A night there can seem like a night on the Marie Celeste. Where is everybody? But it does offer great comfort and good food.

At the top of the Semmering Pass begins Styria, one of the largest and certainly the least known of the nine *Länder* that make up the Austrian Republic of today. This obscurity arises partly, I think, because it lies farther away than the rest and partly because, unlike the Burgenland, it lacks a strong cultural identity of its own. I find it attractive in a fairly unsurprising, sub-Alpine kind of way (although wholly Alpine in the west), much less crowded than Salzburg, Carinthia or the Tyrol and richly provided with good, cheap, family accommodation in pensions and on farms. Graz, the historic and handsome provincial capital and Austria's second city, is a prosperous working community strong in Renaissance, seventeenth and nineteenth-century architecture but poor on good hotels; agreeably Balkan in feeling, though it does not do to say so.

In Styria too the abundance of Austria will accompany you: wild foxgloves and pale yellow antirrhinums scattered over the meadows and beside the rail tracks coming down from the Semmering Pass; roadside strawberries earlier and cheaper than in Kent; tripled-arcaded limestone courtyards ablaze with pink, white and vermilion geraniums; patrician parks around ochre palaces planted with chestnut, acacia and oak; pumpkins swelling in backyards next to lilies in tin drums. Anything grows. The Austrian summer, when it comes, comes swaggering, staggering in.

The Austrian National Tourist Office, 30 St George Street, London W1 (629 0461), will provide lists of travel operators. Austrian Airlines one-month excursion return fare London to Vienna or London to Graz, £273. Pex fare (April, June, September, October), £195; (July, August), £213. Packages to Austria are run by Austrotours, 10 Spencer Street, St Albans, Herts (0727 38191) and coach tours, including the Wachau, by Roman City Travel, Cheltenham Street, Bath, Avon (0225 332518).



Castles in the air: Dürnstein (left) and Aggstein soar above the waters of the Danube

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John Higgins visits La Baule in Brittany, a haven of Gallic gentility and gastronomy



Hoofbeats on the sand before breakfast

WEEKEND BREAKS

La Baule, on the southern coast of Brittany, is one of those resorts the French appear to reserve for themselves. The English may swarm to the Pas De Calais, savour still the past glories of Deauville, remain faithful to Menton and the Cote d'Azur, take the crossing to Cherbourg. But La Baule, with its Twenties charm and its eight kilometres or so of sand, has not been a lure. Perhaps it is the sheer difficulty of getting there.

And for two months in the year, July and August, the French are delighted. During the school holidays La Baule is packed. The whole town, developed just over half a century ago on land that, with the judicious planting of trees, had been reclaimed from the sea, takes on a sporting look. Without a tennis racket, a set of golf clubs or a wet suit there is a feeling of being slightly underdressed.

Even after *la rentrée* the dominance of *le sport* remains. In the early morning, long before the silver breakfast trolleys start rustling down the corridors of the grand hotels, there is the thud of horses' hooves on the sand, where at low tide the sea seems to recede almost to the horizon. In County Galway they would be practising for the races; at La Baule these must surely be polo ponies.

At this hour the immobile figures are probably digging for coques, tiny molluscs which slide down the gullet pleasingly before dinner. It shows that Millet as well as Dufy would have found subject matter here in Brittany. For among the golf courses and tennis courts there is gastronomy and practically all the local cooking is based on the sea.

La Baule has two luxury hotels, totally different in style although they happen to be owned by the same group, the Chaine Lucien Barrière. They are situated at the genteel eastern end of the town, far from the medium-rise apartment blocks and also far – and some may think this a disadvantage – from the seaside bars.

L'Hermitage, with its private beach, is built in what might be described as Seaside Tudor with gables, but alas few balconies wide enough to swing a deck chair. The Twenties atmosphere predominates. The Castel Marie-Louise, a large villa set among the pines a few paces away, is smaller and open all the year round.

Both receive – and deserve – high ratings in Gault Millau's gastronomic guide. Marie-Louise with its tendency toward *nouvelle cuisine* gets a point above L'Hermitage with its slightly grander and more traditional menu: it is an assessment I would reverse. Set meals at both will cost about £15 a head and a bottle of good local wine – a little Muscadet goes a long way as far as I am concerned – about £7.50. Chinon, with Couly one of the names to look out for, is about the best bet.

This is of course at the top of the market. Outside La Baule prices drop. Le Pouliguen, La Baule's port and once a quiet little harbour, now has too many concrete buildings for my taste. But past the salt pans, which once provided the main industry for this part of France, there is Le Croisic, which is still very much a fishing town and has a number of excellent restaurants serving the day's catch, some with rooms at £12 or so.

The Ocean, built on the rocks over the sea, is especially recommended for langoustines, crabs and clams. The room cost is about £15.

Marine scene: Yachts clustered in the port of Pouliguen

Inland are the marshes of the Grande Brière, a secret and almost unknown part of Brittany, where the waterfowl reign supreme and the people keep to themselves. Alphonse de Chateaubriand (no relation of Francois René I'm told) wrote a book about it, published by Livre de Poche. And there you will not see a single polo pony.

Escapade, a new organization specializing in luxury weekends run by Air Foyle, Halcyon House, Luton Airport, flies to La Baule direct, weather permitting, in private aircraft using both L'Hermitage and the Castel Marie-Louise for accommodation. Prices, which start from £240 b & b a weekend, depend on the number of people in the party. Other destinations in France are served, one of the most attractive being L'Ousteau de Beaumanière in Provence, and there are plans to develop into Ireland and Germany. The Lucien Barrière Chain offer a b & b rate of Fr 280 per person, including tennis and golf facilities, outside July and August.

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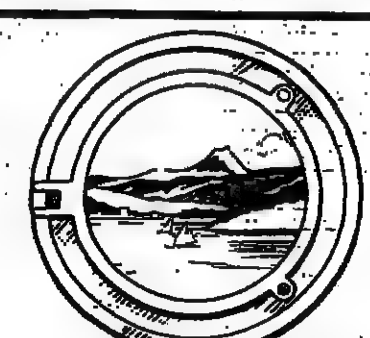
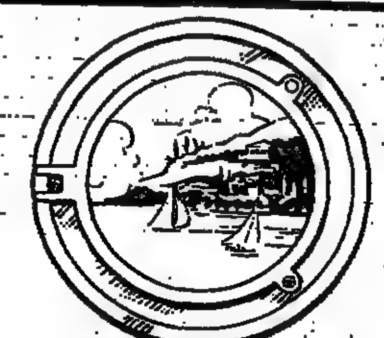
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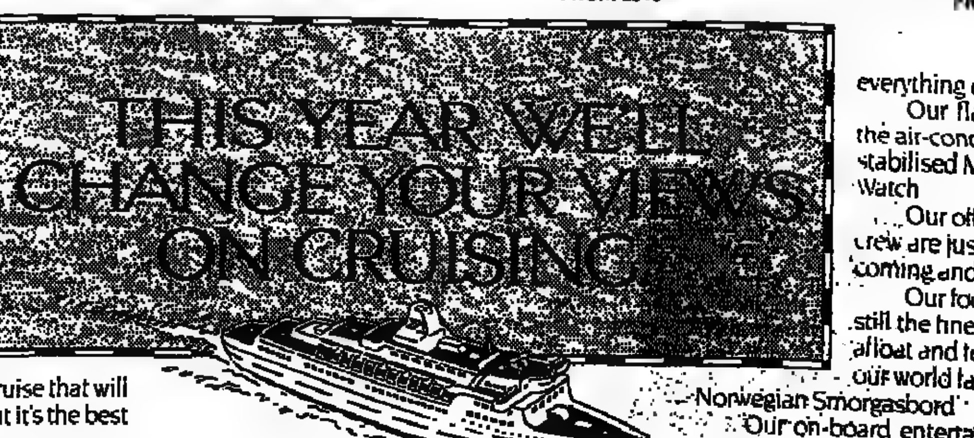
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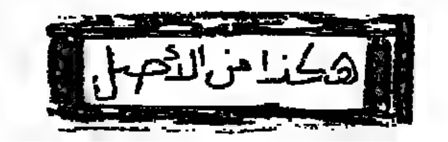
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Spanish threat to charter loophole



Package-tour operators are to meet Spain's director-general of tourism soon to discuss the threat by the country's civil aviation authorities to clamp down on so-called "seat only" charter flights carrying passengers who have arranged their own accommodation.

The Spanish authorities have promised that they will not turn back any British holidaymakers who arrive on a package deal which they regard as illegal. But the tour companies are worried that flights may be delayed if officers start questioning passengers to check whether they are travelling on a bona-fide package.

The authorities are objecting to the use by tour operators of vouchers for minimal dormitory accommodation or of a "property letting agreement", an ingenious formula devised some years ago to conform with the letter, if not the spirit, of the air-charter regulations. Under the latter system – currently accepted only by Spain among the Mediterranean countries – holidaymakers sign a form saying that they are acting as letting agent for the property where they plan to stay. They then "let" the property to the tour company and lease it back for a nominal £1. In this way they comply with the legal requirement that accommodation has to be provided as part of a package.

Tour operators will be telling the Spanish director-general of tourism that a clampdown on seat-only holidays could seriously reduce the country's intake of visitors from the United Kingdom. About a million Britons are expected to travel to the Mediterranean countries on a seat-only basis this year, and the majority of them will be going to Spain.

Guarantees may go

Some leading tour operators may abandon guarantees against surcharges in their programmes for summer 1985. Mr Peter Smith, chief executive of Intasun Travel, said last week that hostilities in the Middle East could lead to rises in the price of aircraft fuel which could play havoc with tour operators' costings. Intasun is urging its competitors to drop the price guarantees and to introduce a code of practice agreed by the industry on the way that any surcharges should be implemented.

Meanwhile, another tour operator, Cosmos, has reserved the right to impose surcharges on its 1984-85 winter programme if hostilities in the Middle East result in increases in the cost of fuel.

Greek warning

The Greek Government has warned that it will not admit visitors arriving in Greece with a passport bearing a stamp which indicates that the holder has visited the "Turkish Republic of Cyprus" or the "Turkish State of Cyprus".

Greece has also given a warning that tourists arriving in Greece on charter flights should remain in the country for the whole of their stay and should not visit Turkey, even for a day trip. The country's civil aviation authority has refused to license charter flights bringing in travellers who plan holidays involving stays in both Greece and Turkey.

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IN THE GARDEN

The Times Garden Project, Month 10

Weeds and unwelcome guests put on pressure

Our Times garden in west London is now blooming and growth is prolific. The main jobs for the present are attacking weeds and controlling the great variety of pests and diseases which can be a menace in early summer

During June and July, when plants are growing vigorously, it is essential to keep on top of general maintenance work. Little more can be done before the end of the summer in the way of planning, but it is possible to be observant and to consider any potential improvements to our plan.

In *The Times* garden now, growth is young and soft, and there is a surge of foliage clothing the borders. Although our plants were on the small side, they are now quite substantial and their effect should be apparent when they are fully grown. It is important to ensure that young growth does not get broken and that shoots required to form a balanced branchwork are not damaged. As you wander round the garden, have a close look at the way shoots are growing. It may be possible by some timely pinching to direct them the way you wish them to go.

Weeds, alas, are growing as vigorously as the plants. Try your hardest to prevent them from flowering and seeding. There is an old saying amongst gardeners: "One year's seed, seven years' weeds".

The main work in the garden now is controlling pests and diseases. The kind of growth made by plants at this time of year, succulent and full of sap, is ripe for attack by pests which can create havoc in a few days if they are not seen early and action taken.

One of the diseases we may have in *The Times* garden is black spot on roses. One used to see very little of this in London, but since the passing of the Clean Air Act it is beginning to be much more common.

Spray with Murphy Systemic Fungicide or ICI Nimrod T. The same fungicides will also deal with mildew on roses. This is a white felty covering to the young foliage, tips of the shoots and flower buds, which is very disfiguring.

Also in need of attention are the young apple trees. These have made good growth and flowered well. At the moment they have a small number of apples showing, but this may not be all it seems. Many fruits begin to swell and reach a certain stage before dropping off. This is known as the "June drop". Fruits which have not been properly fertilized do not go on to make apples.

There is a complete spraying programme for apple trees which begins in the winter when the buds are dormant, continues through the spring and is now in the final stage. We are at fruitlet stage, when the tree should be sprayed with Murphy Systemic Fungicide every two weeks. This is to control apple scab, which disfigures the fruits. Regular spraying will also go a long way towards controlling apple mildew.

Codling moth feeds on young apples throughout the late summer and it is necessary to get a covering of pesticide on to the tree to reduce the incidence of attack. Murphy Systemic Fungicide can be used again, or Murphy Tumblebug.

Black and green fly are about in large numbers on most young foliage and shoots. These are relatively easy to control. Use Tumblebug, PBI Sprayday or PBI Systemic Insecticide. Spray as soon as there are signs of the pests.

We would also appear to have clematis wilt. The leaves have turned yellow and shoots are dying. As a general rule the plant breaks again later this year or next spring. The answer is to wait. Meanwhile, cut away the damaged shoots.

Ashley Stephenson

The owner writes:

Despite all the problems of pests and disease, we have lost only one plant out of the dozens we planted. We bought a clematis called Ernest Markham which is acknowleged in some books as being difficult to grow, and it did indeed die. There are also a couple of foxgloves close to the house on a side border which are flagging.

With so many other plants blooming we can now analyse our planting, and we have already decided that next year we will need more bedding plants, probably perennials, in the two large borders. There are still gaps which need filling.

The rear raised border could also use more colour and again we plan to plant perennials such as lupins, which are providing a tremendous display elsewhere. We have perhaps stinted ourselves by concentrating on shrubs and neglecting to fill in the border gaps more thoroughly.

The lawn, including a section on the rear raised portion, has now taken well, with very few signs remaining of the weed we saw earlier in the year. We have borrowed a very simple lawnmower which would cost about £50 and is all that is necessary for the area concerned.

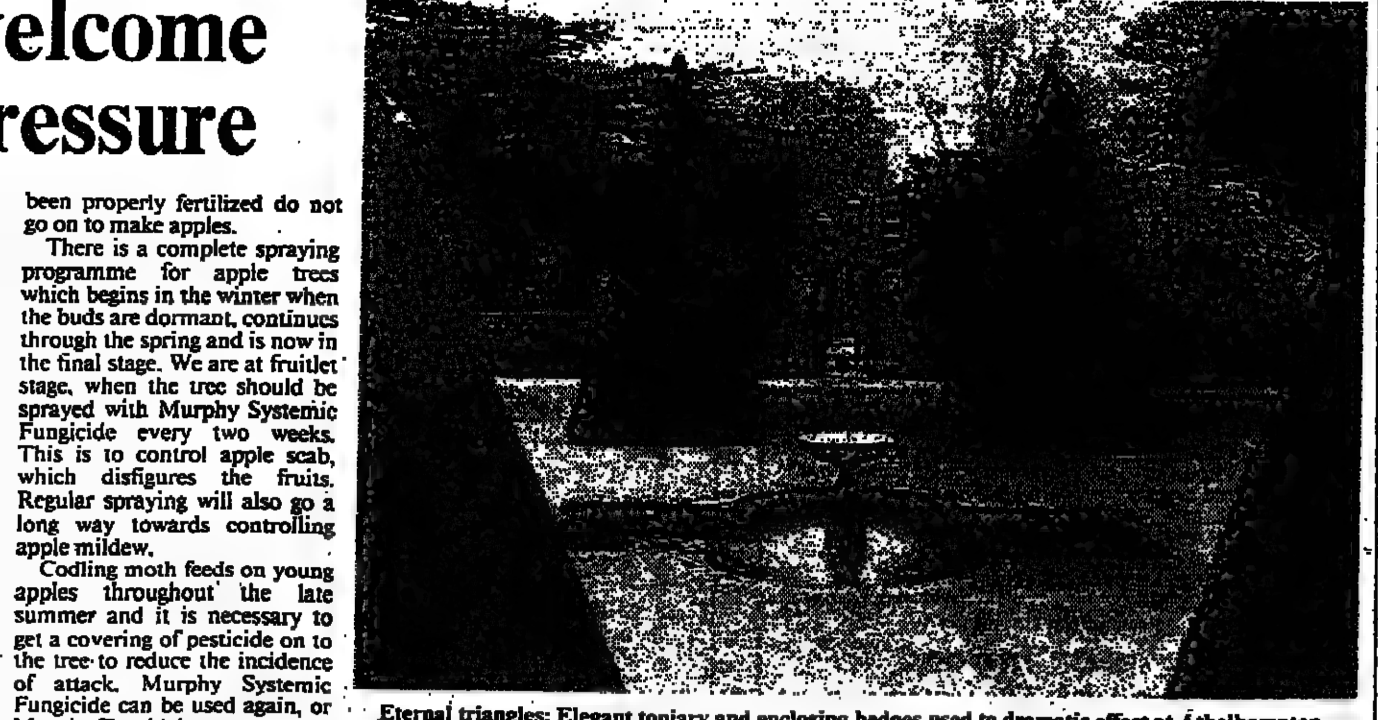
A problem created by the wall dividing the patio from the rest of the garden is that everyone steps on the same piece of lawn, which is wearing the grass. We may consider insetting a flagstone at some later date.

Zoë Atkin



Remedial activities: From left, spray apple fruitlets for apple scab, mildew and codling moth: cut away damaged shoots of wilted clematis; spray roses for aphids, black spot and mildew

Peter Balstow



Eternal triangles: Elegant topiary and enclosing hedges used to dramatic effect at Athelhampton

Charm of discreet revelations

Garden to visit

Athelhampton in Dorset is the home of Sir Robert Cooke. Much of the present building has stood for five centuries, but the garden, a series of linked walled enclosures, is more recent, dating from the turn of the century.

The spectacular topiary standing within high walls to the west of the house immediately attracts one's attention. These tall pyramids of yew stand cool and elegant. At their far end is the corona, a small round space enclosed by tall pinnacled walls and an even taller yew hedge; the garden seems to revolve around this intimate secret place. There are four exits, each giving tantalizing glimpses of equally inviting spaces. The planting within the corona, as in the rest of the garden, is luxuriant: plants of architectural elegance, such as *Euphorbia wulfenii*, Solomon's seal, *Smilacina racemosa*, while in the centre a black stone fountain throws up a casade,

Here the full mystery of these linked spaces is evident. Turn right through an arch and again one is confronted by raised beds massed with interesting and unusual plants. Euphorbias are much in evidence and the delicious low-spreading blue-leaved *Acaena affinis* hugs the ground. But there is also room for common plants, those which are often considered weeds, such as ivy-leaved toadflax and common polypody, which cling to the vertical lichen-blotched walls.

Beyond this small enclosure is a long walk at one end of which broods a statue of Queen Victoria. Here, too, is the one-acre kitchen garden and an avenue of pleached limes around a curious octagonal pool. Everywhere is the sound of water and of fountains playing.

In this garden one is never allowed to see too much at one time, but rather enclosures and views are discreetly revealed where tall ornate gates pierce through high stone walls. The spaces revealed are inevitably sealed by further gates, beyond which other distant vistas can be glimpsed. One's eye is led mysteriously onwards and much is left to the imagination.

Essentially this is a garden which could teach modern garden designers, who still preach the gospel of curving lawns and island beds, a thing or two. At Athelhampton the skilful use of walls and hedges to create areas of light and shade (and thereby depth) within the overall design amounts to a virtuoso performance. Much is achieved within a relatively small area which includes pavilions, terraces, a dovecote and river walk.

Michael Young

Athelhampton is at Puddletown, near Dorchester, Dorset. Open Wed, Thurs, Sun 2-6pm. Also Tues and Fri in Aug. Adults £2, children £1 (030 584 363).

Williams the first

One of the dull periods in the garden is the time between the demise of spring plants and the flowering of summer bedding. Sweet william (*Dianthus barbatus*), a sweetly scented plant, is in flower now and is suitable as a garden plant or can be cut and taken indoors.

Sweet william is grown as a biennial and although it is possible to sow early in the year when results are not always satisfactory, I prefer to sow about now. Germination time will vary according to the weather but at 65°F, 14-21 days is usual. Sow outside into prepared seed beds; drills about ½in deep and rows about 12in apart produce good plants ready for pricking out.

Recently, I visited the Research Station for Floriculture at Aalsmeer, the The Netherlands, where I was introduced to a new method of raising sweet williams which produces flowers more quickly. Cuttings are taken in the usual way: side shoots about 3-4in long are placed on trays and put in storage for three to four weeks at 5°C or about 40°F (an ordinary household refrigerator would be suitable). Once the cuttings have been subjected to this temperature for about four weeks they can be rooted and then grown in the usual way. This process can be repeated over and over again to produce sweet williams flowering at almost any time of the year.

The variety I usually prefer is Indian Carpet. This is about 12in tall and an ideal bedder. Excelsior Mixed reaches 18in and is much better for cutting but useful in beds as well.

Crimson with care

In the cooler, wetter parts of the country *Crinodendron Hookerianum* may struggle to grow, but it is well worth every effort to establish it: in flower, as it is now, this shrub is a joy to see. An evergreen, which under ideal conditions may reach over 25ft, it is unlikely to grow much above 10ft high. The leaves are long, narrow and pointed with the tips quite distinctly cut, but it is its unusual, eye-catching flowers which make this shrub so different.

Rich crimson flowers about 1in long appear from the leaf axils close to the tips of the shoots. They are held on stalks 2-3in long and are pendulous. The texture is firm and almost waxy with grooves down the urn-shaped flowers. It produces flowers in the autumn/early winter but these flowers remain closed until the following spring/summer.

Siting this shrub is of the utmost importance. The soil should be cool, moist and on the acid side. Well drained, peaty soils give the plant the best chance of success. Protection from cold winds is a necessity and for this reason crinodendron is often grown as a wall plant. Full sun over prolonged periods causes scorching. Propagate from half-ripe shoots in July to August and place in a propagator. Plants cost about £10 each from Hilliers of Winchester.

EATING OUT

British summer time in Greenwich

As the summer tourist season begins to have its effect on central London, the attractions of eating out in one of the quieter suburban areas of the capital become more apparent. In the first of an occasional series, we look at restaurants in one of London's prettiest "villages": Greenwich

The chance to get a whiff of sea breezes (well river breezes actually) and to stroll around the impressive Cutty Sark renders Greenwich particularly attractive at this time of year. A walk along the "pier" will set you up nicely for a relaxed dinner.

The Spread Eagle, a former Victorian inn close to the Greenwich Theatre, has a calm ambience, ideal for summer-evening dinners. The dark-brown, brooding interior may strike an autumnal note (though the upstairs room is more open and jolly), but the lightweight, aptly chosen menu has all the hallmarks of a glorious English summer.

This is perhaps best exemplified by the restaurant's current offer of a three-course "salmon supper" for £11.75. Cooling starters – gazpacho or chilled melon with ginger sorbet – are followed by poached salmon, and the menu concludes with Stilton or strawberries and cream and iced coffee.

If this is not to your taste, The Spread Eagle's imaginative monthly menu offers six or seven starters, which may include an exotic lobster mayonnaise (£5) or the humbler vichyssoise (£1.75). There may also be a deliciously light savoury chestnut soufflé, spiced with pink peppercorn sauce, or spinach cake, studded with nuts, decked with a refreshing tomato sorbet.

The lightweight themes tend to go slightly awry with the main courses, which arrive in unfashionably robust portions. Nevertheless, tender braised loin of veal, dotted with bacon, mushrooms and potato pieces (£7) or coulibiac (a salmon pie with layers of spinach, rice and mushrooms, £6.40) are expertly cooked and served with generous helpings of seasonal vegetables.

Desserts, from the standing menu (£1.75), are admirably balanced, offering a wide range of tastes from a richly textured pavé of chocolate and chestnuts to summer pudding and pears with almond cream. Service (included in prices) is eager to please, and delightfully free of West End bumptiousness.

While summer calorie-counters can steer their way safely through the menu at the Spread Eagle, at Le Papillon, a cottage-style restaurant in the shadow of the Cutty Sark, they would have great difficulty. Its dark, panelled, red-upholstered interiors create a warm, almost wintry atmosphere, while the butterfly's wings beat heavily over richly sauced, gargantuan portions.

Starters include a savoury slab of Roquefort tart swimming in watercress sauce (£2.75); thick lobster soup with cream and brandy (£2.75) and a comparatively light salad of duck slices, smoked bacon and croûtons (£2.75).

The old-fashioned style continues proficiently but punishingly, with coq au vin (£4.95), rib of beef (for two), breast of capon stuffed with crabmeat (£5.25) and monkfish, swamped in a thick Meaux mustard and wine sauce (£5.75).

Choosing from these will bring the proceedings to a close as surely as the nearby flood barrier will stop the Thames, and vicarious heart-attacks may be brought on by the frenzied movements of the solitary waiter. Some sanity is restored by a decent range of half-bottles to help you adjust to the rich tastes on offer.

Stan Hey

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OUT AND ABOUT

Museums in Eyemouth

Looking the Great Disaster in the Eye

That the deaths of 189 men should be the inspiration for a museum may strike many as odd, morbid even, but not the people of Eyemouth. A museum commemorating their cruel loss in the North Sea in 1881 inevitably reflects, and therefore celebrates, the proud heritage of this Scottish fishing community.

The Auld Kirk in the Market Place has been imaginatively hung with huge photographs and backcloths on scaffolding supports to create a winding passageway symbolically taking the visitor along the course of the River Eye to its mouth. Other displays show the rural crafts that were, or still are, important to Eyemouth: fresh-water fishing, dairying, milling, blacksmithing, boat-building, sail-making and, naturally for a village where the sea once brimmed with herring, barrel-making.

A cooper needed a vast collection of tools and the displays of these are clearly labelled and touchable. He also supervised the herring packing, done by teams of three fisher-lassies who "travelled the herring" from May to October as the fleets chased the shoals down the coast. While waiting for the catch they knitted "fisher-ganseys" for their menfolk, thick, seamless sweaters from which you could tell a man's home port because each developed a distinctive pattern. Several are shown.

Skill in needlework survives today in a stunning 15ft tapestry worked by the women of Eyemouth to commemorate the Great Disaster of 1881. More than 400 colours recreate the horror of the few hours which left 73 women widowed and 263 children fatherless.

Not far away, at Duns, is another museum-shrine, this time to just one man, Jim Clark, the locally born racing driver who died in 1968 in a crash at Hockenheim. The room is filled with more than 130 glittering trophies and awards presented to the town by his parents. It is far from hushed and hallowed, particularly if you find Fred Waddell, a personal friend at Clark, on duty as a volunteer curator. For Fred is only too happy to share his knowledge and his memories.

Twice world champion, with seven Grand Prix wins in 1963, Clark "won everything except the Monaco Grand Prix", says Fred, tending the memorabilia. There is a story behind each piece so it is worth looking helplessly at Fred. "That", he explains, pointing at a brick, "came from the Indianapolis circuit which used to be all-brick until they began deteriorating. But that was still there when Jim crossed the finishing line in 1965."

You can catch Fred out, however, by asking about an enormous brandy goblet in the centre of the room. It was presented in France by Dunlop, but no one knows the event or the year, "not even Dunlop".

Glynn Satterley

Journey into the past: The station at Norham restored to its 1920s glory and made into a museum by Peter Short (above)

This is not a vast museum and perhaps captivating for no more than half an hour. Even so it says something for the six-year career of the person to whom it is dedicated that it is there at all.

Place to realize a childhood ambition

Peter Short's railway museum is more ambitious. He wanted to show off the 1920s and 1930s heyday of the railway, before nationalization and long before the Beeching axe that ended his job as stationmaster at Norham, a country station bordering the River Tweed on Northumberland's oldest branch line. He and his wife Katherine have spent countless hours plus their own money restoring the station. Everthing is original, down to the cream and brown livery of the old North Eastern Railway Company.

Walking into the office produces the uncanny feeling that the stationmaster has just popped out for his lunch. There are books and ledgers open on the desk, his glasses are carelessly discarded, a telegram apparently just received. The books make fascinating reading: how much to charge for despatching live eels to London and advice on how to transport a goat – "Never tie next to dog, goats will eat everything."

The former waiting room now houses a vast working model displaying 150 different engines and coaches from the old company-style coaches right up to modern diesels. And up in the signal-box you can realize that childhood ambition to be a railwayman, an imaginary train up the line using the original telegraph system of bells and block instruments.

As Katherine or Peter take visitors round there are also some wonderful anecdotes to be heard, memories of the platforms stacked with piles of slippery Tweed salmon, of the day the Mallard – the record-breaking steam locomotive – was diverted along their line.

It was, Peter reflects, a busy little station.

Helen Pickles

Eyemouth Museum, Eyemouth, Berwickshire (0390 50678). Eight miles north of Berwick-upon-Tweed, just off A1. Open until Oct 31, Mon-Sat 10am-6pm, Sun 2-6pm. Adults 70p, children/pensioners 30p, under-fives free.
Jim Clark Memorial Room, 44 Newtown Street, Duns (0361 82600). Twelve miles west of Berwick on A6105. Open until Sept 30, Mon-Sat 10am-1pm, 2-6pm, Sun 2-6pm. Adults 40p, children/pensioners 20p, under-fives free.
Norham Station, Norham, Northumberland (0289 82217). Eight miles south-west of Berwick, off A698. Open Sun afternoons and bank holidays. For weekday visit phone in advance, but avoid Fri, Sat. Admission free, but donations to station work welcome.

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Fishing with the mayfly

When the trout just can't say no

The scene is a large fishing tackle shop near the centre of London. The time is the very recent past. Enter a group of fishermen disguised as businessmen, lawyers and men of steady demeanour. Fascinated, they gather round a tray of imitation flies as a shop assistant waits in attendance.

There is much murmuring and excited nodding of heads. Hands flutter uncertainly before extricating a dressing here and a pattern there with comments such as "Oh; just two of these I think" or "Well, perhaps the leaded nymph. It might just be dour". The attraction is a range of flies imitating members of the *Ephemerophera* family, otherwise known as the mayfly.

The appearance of these splendid flies, in their natural state, each year on British rivers and still waters is calculated to arouse considerable excitement not only among fish but also their hunters.

It is a time when the optimism which forever lurks in an angler's breast threatens to burst forth. There are those who claim that if you cannot catch fish during the annual days or weeks of the mayfly, then you should break your rod in two and take up goldfish breeding.

The mayfly is the largest, best known and most distinctive of the up-wing flies which haunt our waterways. The nymph or aquatic stage is often an inch or so long, while the actual fly is a great cream-coloured creature that lumbers across the water like something from a crackling old film of pioneers of aviation.

Traditionally associated with southern chalk streams, the fly also appears on some lakes and can be found in Ireland as well. Pollution is thought to have taken its toll of the mayfly population in the past half-century, but there have been signs of a resurgence in some areas.

Like May Balls at Cambridge the mayfly does not always appear during the month suggested by its name. It is often early June before it is seen and even then it is with a raffish unconcern for the finer feelings of the angler, deeply bitten by anticipation. Mayfly will hatch at a particular bend of a river, but nowhere else. An occasional beast may hover over the corner of a lake.

But when they do appear in numbers, there is little doubt of their effect on trout. Once the fish have overcome their initial suspicion of these extraordinary, huge flies bouncing around above them, they feed feverishly, seemingly aware that the feast will only last for a short time.

The trout are not only numerous but sometimes large. Out from under that bridge comes the great, grey shadow, which has resisted all blandishments for months. Up from the deep holes of the river rise the great and guileful.

J. W. Hills records in *Summer on the Test*, which has recently been republished, that two heroes of another era took 88 fish, weighing a total of 84lb, on a June day in 1809. They were using a natural mayfly fixed to their hooks. And with an imitation fly, one of the anglers caught 30 fish weighing a total of over 22lb. Given such potential it is hardly surprising that Victorians tended to fish the Test only during the mayfly seasons and otherwise ignored the river.



These days, you can tell how good the mayfly season is by the way the good friend who promised a day on his club's stretch of the Upper Tiddle becomes rather coy when diaries are produced. Early May is fine, late June reasonable, July, August and September would be possible. The gap in his diary is covered with a little embarrassment or talk of "club rules".

A happy catch out of season

However, missing the seasonal slaughter may not actually matter, because there is evidence that it takes the trout a long time to forget his gargantuan feasting.

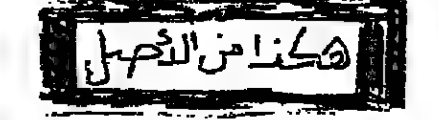
The first time I cast a mayfly was in late July. A local had knowledgeably informed me that there were no fish in a stretch of water running from a mill. Certainly they would not respond to the mayfly I innocently attached to my line.

I calculated that if they were there, then surely they could not resist such a huge fly. I said I was innocent. Within a second of the fly hitting the water a fish smashed into it with gusto and proved to be a solid 1¾lb which came out of the water after a struggle before an abashed local.

The dressing was a strange thing of yellows and browns made in Korea, or was it Uganda? The best I have ever seen came from a famous London shop which has closed recently. The flies were works of imitative art which almost defied casting.

They were also, like most mayfly dressings, expensive, and at some shops patterns can run to double or more the normal price of a dry fly. For the economically minded, and those for whom the mayfly season still brings no fish, a word of advice from a distinguished entomologist and angler. He noted that some crafty anglers caught their fish during the mayfly season by offering the trout something different – imitations of the much smaller sedge.

Stewart Tendler



VALUES

How much will you spend? Peter Milne picks his ten best buys

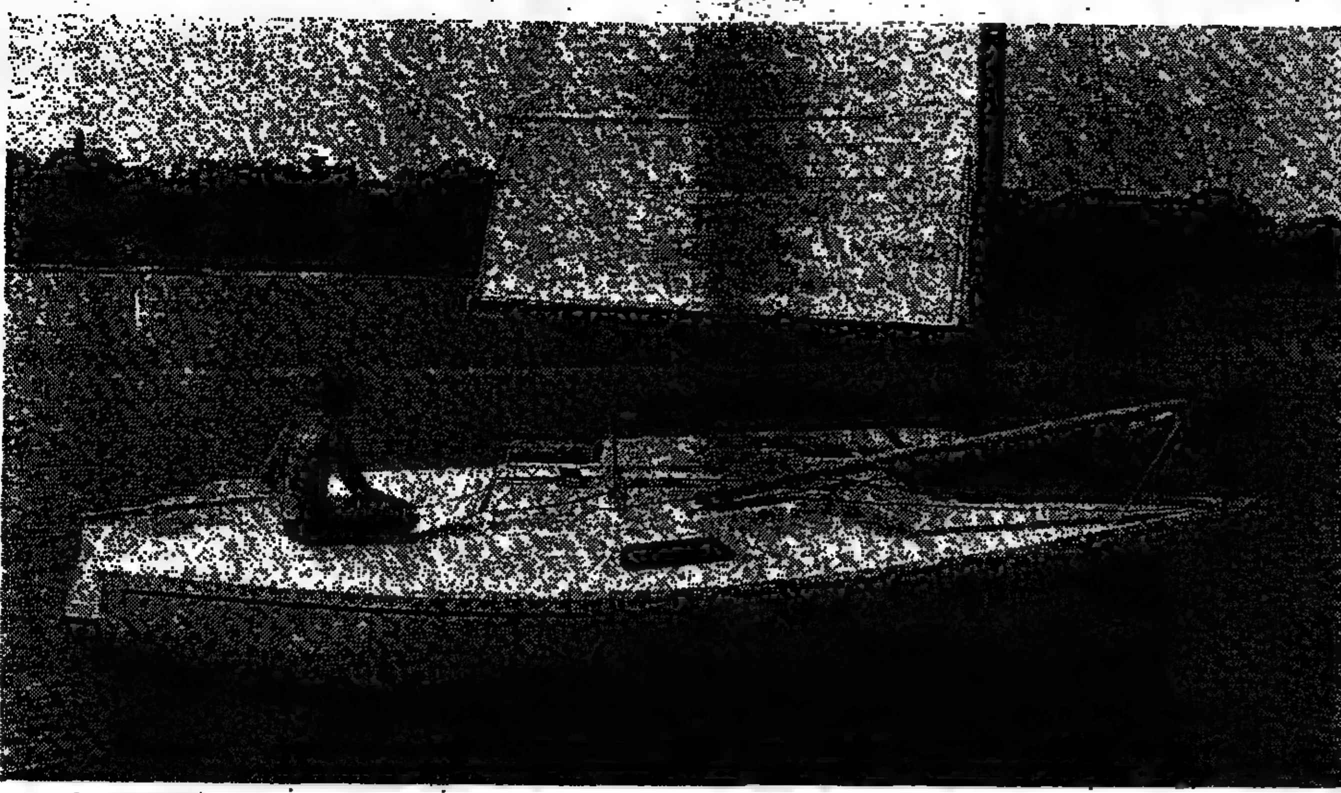
A day at the sails

Sailing small boats is one of the most popular sports in Britain. The boat-building industry, which expanded rapidly in the late 1960s and early 1970s to satisfy the voracious demand for sailing dinghies and small cruisers, had to prune itself severely as demand declined sales slackened. But the customer still has a wide selection to choose from and many builders continue to introduce new lines.

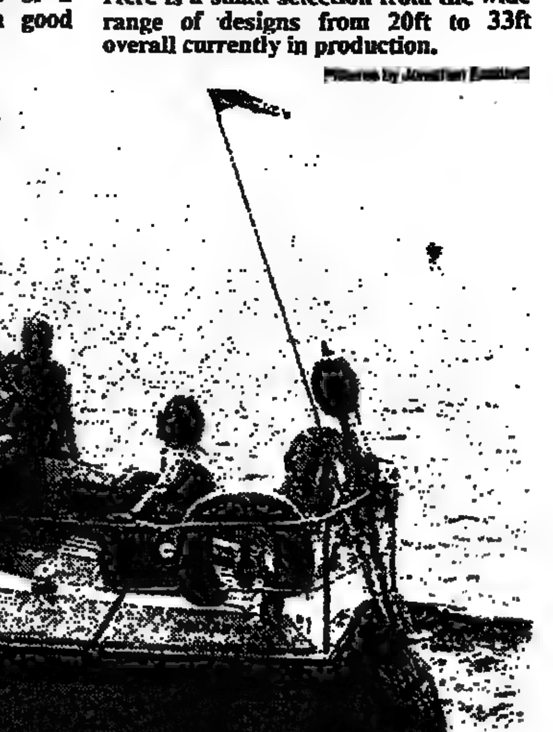
Many builders of smaller yachts make a very real effort to offer value for money in the hope of increasing sales, and although few boats will appreciate in value, a well-kept example of a popular yacht will maintain a good secondhand price.

Choosing a yacht – which will almost certainly become part of the family – is largely a personal matter. Some look for cruising comfort, others consider only racing performance. All will be interested in value for money. Here is a small selection from the wide range of designs from 20ft to 33ft overall currently in production.

Pictures by Jonathan Eastland



UNDER £5,000: Freedom 21 is an ideal trainer/sailer for a family. Sleeps four and competitively priced at £4,977



UNDER £25,000: Sadler 32 is spacious and comfortable with room to sleep six to eight; £24,000 for standard fit out

FREEDOM 21
Dimensions: LOA 21ft 8in; beam 8ft; draught 3ft 9in
Berths: Four
Price: £4,977 (ex VAT)

Neat little cat-rigged cruiser from the United States: very simply equipped. Carbon fibre unstayed mast is standard; cooker and portable toilet are extras. Price competitive, sailing performance particularly good. Ballast fin retractable and this, with the low all-up weight, makes her an ideal trailer/sailer. Mariner outboard of 4hp provides plenty of punch under power. Spinnaker is extra, its clews set from the ends of a novel gunmount, set in turn from a swivel fitting at the stemhead. All contol lines are led aft to the cockpit.

Supplier: Freedom Yachts International, Portsmouth Road, Lowford, near Southampton, Hampshire (042121 5197)

SADLER 32
Dimensions: LOA 31ft 6in; beam 10ft 6in; draught 5ft 6in (deep fin); 4ft 6in (shallow fin); 4ft (bilge keels) 3ft 6in/6ft 6in
Berths: Six to eight
Price: £24,000 (ex VAT)

Tough, able and well fitted out cruiser for coastal and offshore work. Can be supplied complete, as a special edition to a high specification or as a kit. Good value on all counts. Accommodation is roomy, comfortable and very well finished. Plenty of securely fastened grab handles and leecloths fitted to sea berths. Bukh 20hp diesel gives plenty of auxiliary power and 17-gallon fuel tank ensures useful cruising range. Very easy to handle under sail and deep cockpit coamings provide security and comfort for crew.

Supplier: Sadler Yachts, 29/31 Dawkins Road, hamworthy, Poole, Dorset (0202 670409)



CORNISH SHRIMPER
Dimensions: LOA 19ft 3in; beam 7ft 2in; draught 4ft
Berths: Two
Price: £5,859 (ex VAT)

Smallest of the Crabber range of small yachts built with a "traditional" appearance. Well designed gaff sloop rig gives this pretty, straight-stemmed, transom-sterned little yacht an excellent performance. Very easy to handle. Cockpit comfortable and auxiliary power provided by small outboard set in motor well. Sleeps two on settee berths on each side of cabin. Comfortable sitting headroom beneath flush deck which also provides full-width cabin top. Galley built across forward end of snug cabin. The yacht is well-built, simply equipped yet well able to handle coastal passages.

Supplier: Cornish Crabbers, Rock, Wadebridge, Cornwall (020 886 266)



FOXTERRIER
Dimensions: LOA 22ft 1in; beam 8ft 2in; draught 4ft 1in
Berths: Four
Price: £7,195 (inc VAT)

Trailable four-berth yacht, simply equipped yet very well finished and strongly built. Efficient fractional rig gives rewarding turn of speed. Roomy cockpit is very comfortable for day sailing and cabin comfortable enough for limited periods. Four horsepower outboard is recommended for auxiliary power. Easy to launch and recover from a road trailer and the rig presents no problem to set up or dismantle. Simple though she is, the yacht is constructed and fitted out to a good standard. Excellent value for a couple with two children looking for a trailable weekender with creature comforts.

Supplier: Copland Boats, Mitchell Avenue, Ventnor, Isle of Wight (0983 852890)



HUNTER HORIZON
Dimensions: LOA 26ft 4in; beam 9ft; draught 5ft (deep); 3ft 3in (shoal); 3ft 3in (bilge keels)
Berths: Five to six
Price: £10,902 (inc VAT) for standard fit out

A fresh approach to the small cruiser. David Thomas, her designer, has kept the accommodation open-plan, light and airy. Head compartment, with full headroom, has been brought aft where it is handy to the cockpit. Can be bought in standard trim, as a kit or completed to deluxe standard, with choice of either conventional, three-quarter sloop rig or development of the junk rig devised by David Taylor, and deep fin, shoal draught or bilge keel. Galley has two-burner stove and oven which is easy to clean.

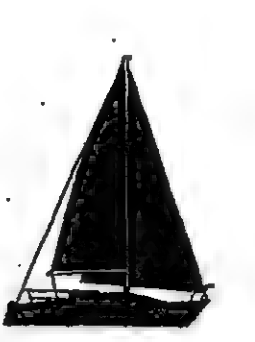
Supplier: Hunter Boats, Sutton Wharf, Sutton Road, Rochford, Essex (0702 452177)



BOLERO II SPECIAL
Dimensions: LOA 25ft 6in; beam 9ft; draught 4ft 9in
Berths: Five
Price: £14,900 (ex VAT and sails)

Good-looking, three-quarter rigged racing yacht designed to be very competitive at both club level and at top end of Quarter Ton racing. Designed primarily as a racing yacht, but possesses well-fitted accommodation which allows a family to cruise in comfort. Purchase price includes full racing inventory for rigging, but sails are extra. Two 12-volt batteries are supplied. Galley is fully fitted out and navigational equipment includes two steering compasses and echo sounder. Windex wind direction indicator. Yanmar 1 GM 7½hp diesel provides plenty of auxiliary power.

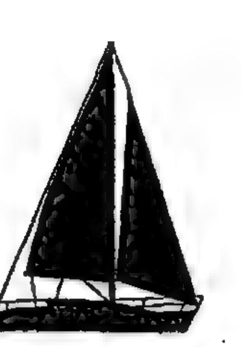
Supplier: MG Yachts, Hamble Point Marina, School Lane, Southampton, Hampshire (0703 454064)



MOODY 27
Dimensions: LOA 27ft 8in; beam 9ft 8in; draught 4ft 8in (fin); 3ft 5in (bilge keels)
Berths: Five
Price: £15,150 (fin keel version)

Light and airy accommodation provides plenty of room below decks and large cockpit creates comfort on deck. Sailplan is easily handled by a young family. Plenty of useful stowage space below. Headroom is good throughout, well laid out galley. Delivered complete with ground tackle and docking lines. Plenty of stowage for warps and fenders in cockpit and short tiller fitted to transom-hung rudder ensures that helmsman does not obstruct cockpit area. Economical to maintain and interior easy to keep clean. Plenty of hand holds.

Supplier: A. H. Moody & Son, Swanwick Shore Road, Lower Swanwick, Southampton, Hampshire (04895 8116)



FIRST 29
Dimensions: LOA 29ft 6in; beam 9ft 11in; draught 5ft 6in/4ft 5in
Berths: Six
Price: £16,100 (ex VAT)

Roomy, fast, family cruiser with forward and after cabins which can be closed from main saloon. Full standing headroom. Large accommodation hatch ensures that plenty of light is allowed below. Galley is easy to work with plenty of stowage space for pots and dry stores. Roomy and comfortable head to starboard and just aft of the companionway. Delivered well-equipped. Volvo 2001 diesel provides plenty of auxiliary power for the easily driven hull. Standard of finish below is good and tall crews will be pleased to find that headroom beneath the accommodation hatch is just over 6ft.

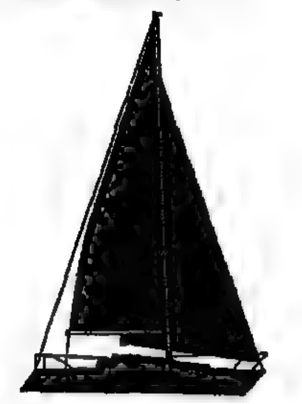
Supplier: Beneteau (UK), PO Box 5, Hamble, Hampshire (0703 454022)



WESTERLY KONSORT
Dimensions: LOA 29ft 10in; beam 10ft 9in; draught 5ft 4in (fin); 3ft 2½in (bilge keels); 3ft 6in/6ft 9in (lifting)
Berths: Six
Price: £21,500 (ex VAT)

Well built, roomy family cruiser, comfortable for long distances. Galley is provided with two-burner stove and oven and large stainless steel sink supplied from 30-gallon stainless steel fresh water tank forward. The deck hardware is comprehensive and two midships mooring cleats to take springs are fitted as standard. The 25lb plough anchor with 15 fathoms of ¼in chain, two docking lines and fenders and 10lb gas bottle are included in purchase price. Auxiliary power provided by a Bukh 20hp diesel.

Supplier: Westerly Yachts, 47 Ashton Road, Waterlooville, Portsmouth, Hampshire (07014 54511)

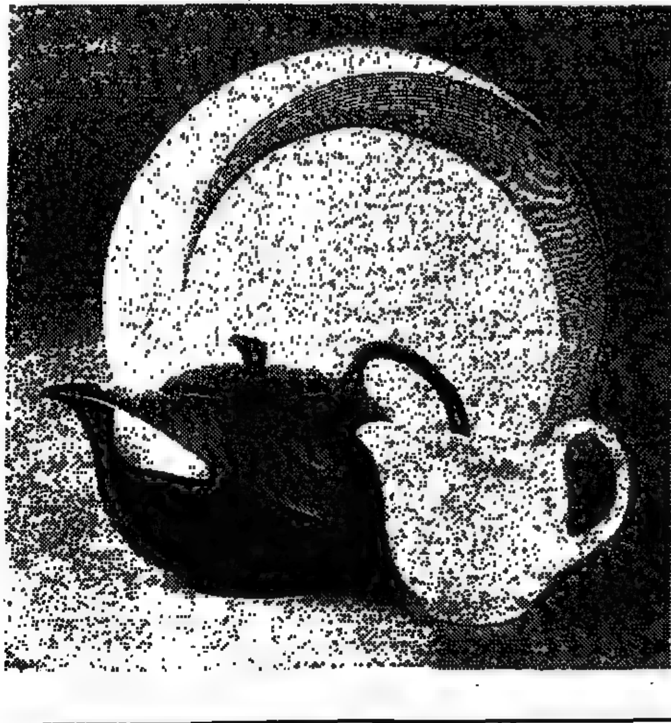


SIGMA 33 OOD
Dimensions: LOA 32ft 6in; beam 10ft 6in; draught 5ft 9in
Berths: Seven
Price: £23,120 (ex VAT)

Fractionally rigged yacht that provides exciting one-design class racing. A thriving Sigma 33 OOD association encourages its members to enjoy its high performance potential. Popularity helps to maintain good second hand value. Also an excellent cruising yacht; and the ease with which she is handled ensures popularity with family crews. As standard, complete wardrobe of sails is supplied. Fit out is excellent. Double headfoil and feeder, two bulkhead-mounted steering compasses and echo sounder with depth alarm included in purchase price. 25lb CQR anchor fire extinguishers, on delivery.

Supplier: Sigma Yachts, Northney Marina, Hayling Island, Hampshire (07016 67911)

SHOPFRONT



Wedgwood is celebrating its 225th anniversary this year and to prove that it can look forward as well as back the company has produced a new range of designs which is a good deal more exciting than its name, Shape 225.
Created by American designer Jerome Gould, it should confound the critics who complain that British ceramics are too traditional. It is simple and striking, can be mixed and matched and although there are four decorated versions, there isn't a rosebud to be seen.
There are six pieces in uncompromising black basalt, half glazed, half matt like the teapot illustrated (£75). The others are a vegetable dish, sauceboat, coffee pot, sugar box and cream jug, all of which also come in white.
The design shown, called Tranquillity, has swirling gold lines, £10.95. The plain white jug is £7.55. All are available at Gered, 174 Piccadilly, London W1 and at Wedgwood rooms throughout the country.
For those who are also interested in the history of Wedgwood, an exhibition called Wedgwood in London shows the company's association with the capital through two centuries of ceramics.
Open from 9am to 5.15pm Mon-Fri at 32-34 Wigmore Street, London W1, the exhibition will continue until Oct 31. On July 20 and Aug 17 experts from the company's museum in Staffordshire will be on hand to identify and date (but not value) any pieces of Wedgwood brought in. So this is your chance to find out whether you have an heirloom.

Booknote

Tomorrow an exhibition opens at the Museum of Modern Art in Oxford which will give collectors a rare opportunity to buy original illustrations from children's books. Among the 90 artists who have given work to the exhibition are Quentin Blake, David McKee, Helen Oxenbury, Posy Simmonds, Ralph Steadman and Amanda Vesey. Prices will be from £5 to £200 and the proceeds will go to the NSPCC's Centenary Appeal. The books in which the illustrations appear will also be on sale and there will be a programme of events for children – storytelling, drawing, talks by the artists – every Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday during the exhibition, which is called 'Smagic.
More details and an illustrated catalogue (50p payable to the NSPCC) are available from Rona Treglown, Museum of Modern Art, 30 Pembroke Street, Oxfort (0865 722733). The exhibition continues until July 29.

Meals on wheels

At weekends I let others take to the less-than-open road. I stay at home with a good map. The *Relais et Chateaux* group of top-class gourmet hotels has just produced an excellent road map which shows not only the position of its 15 members in Britain but also other landmarks – wildlife parks, archaeological sites and so on. There is an accompanying booklet describing the hotels and their levels of comfort and gastronomy, with some indication of their not inconsiderable prices. The ones I have tried are the Priory Hotel, Bath; Gravetye Manor, West Sussex; and the Waterside Inn, Bray, all of which lived up magnificently to the reputation described engagingly by Joseph Olivereau, the group's president, as "merchants of pleasure". The map costs £1.50 and the brochure is free. Together, including postage, they are £1.67. If you also want the international brochure which lists 337 member hotels and restaurants in 29 countries, the cost of the pack of three is £2. All from Gravetye Manor, near East Grinstead, West Sussex, RH19 4LJ.

Sun screen

For those with fair skin that freckles or frazzles, this sort of weather is prefect preparation for hotter climes. Small weekend doses of sunshine helped by a protective sun cream can be the foundation for a painless holiday tan.
The product that works best for my sensitive skin is Bergasol, which encourages a mild glow even in weak sunshine. This year Bergasol have introduced a High Protection Facial Tanning Cream in colourless or tinted versions, each £3.75 for 50ml. They are non-greasy, non-drying – and they work.

Foodnote

A new cereal story is published this week by Marks & Spencer. Having produced their first range of breakfast foods they are not afraid to beat the bigger boys at their own game by telling it how it is – not only the ingredients, but the nutritional composition, vitamin content and calorie count on every pack.
The most interesting product is Bran Cereal with Fruit & Nuts – salt free, gluten free (not yet sugar free, but that may come if the product is successful), 35 per cent fruit and nuts and, they say, a higher fibre content (27 per cent) than any other proprietary brand.
It is also in a new-style paper pack instead of a box and has a reclosable top to keep the contents fresh without a container. It costs 99p for 400g and the malted taste and crunchy texture are really rather more-ish, which makes a change for anything that does you good.
I also liked the Crunchy Bran Flakes (again in the new pack) 69p 375g, but thought the Muesli too powdery and the Four Grain Cereal and Wholewheat Cereal boring. M&S food is high quality and not cheap, so I don't expect it to be dull.
The range has been introduced at 20 major branches including those in London W1, Brent Cross, Reading, Tunbridge Wells, Liverpool, Cardiff, and Edinburgh.

Beryl Downing

DRINK

Reading, marking, learning and spitting it out

My history teacher was very keen on what she called VGK – vast general knowledge – and one of the most enjoyable ways of acquiring a vinous VGK is the wine tour. These visits abroad range from the serious to those which manage to sustain a holiday atmosphere throughout. Having experienced both styles, I tend to think that you learn more on wine tours with a relaxed, informal approach than you do on the strictly academic variety.

Apart from the joy of letting someone else do all the planning, booking, and worrying, the chief advantage of taking a wine tour is that you gain entry to châteaux and estates which would understandably be reluctant to receive you as an individual. As part of a group, not only do you taste a wide range of wines at each property but you are also given an extensive tour of the vineyard and cellars – frequently by the owner.

Some of the most enjoyable wine tours – are organized by the Wine Club (previously known as the Direct Sunday Times Wine Club), which has been running tours for 10 years. I went on one of the club's early trips to Bordeaux and even then everything seemed very well worked out: there was plenty of time to shop, see the sights and take a rest from all that hard work – sniffing, slurping and spitting.

If a wine-tour-cum-holiday appeals to you, the club has 16 different trips planned for this year. The shortest and cheapest is the three-night Champagne Special (departs Sept 19 and Oct 10, £169), which manages to cram in a tasting at Moët et Chandon as well as lunches at both Perrier-Jouët and G. H. Mumm. I also like the sound of their six-night Burgundy Bus tour (departs Sept 23, £359) that takes in Paris and the Champagne region as well as Chablis, Burgundy and Beaujolais. Or what about seven nights in Tuscany, Verona and Venice? (Departs Oct 26, £629.)

At the other end of the scale, the most serious and studious wine tours must be those run by the German Wine Academy at Kloster Eberbach. This exhausting trip, complete with early starts, late finishes and a great deal of German wine propaganda in between, whizzes you round all the country's major wine-producing regions in five days flat. By the end of the tour your palate, after so many sweet white grapy German wines, will be crying out for any (yes any) rough red wine. A certificate is awarded to those who complete the course and get through a fairly easy examination and blind tasting.

I never did find out if one fellow Briton who, bored by the punishing Teutonic programme, read a book throughout the last exercise, ever received hers. However, it must be said that any course which includes a morning spent with magical Professor Becker of Geisenheim, the German wine school, is worth taking. (Six nights, departing Aug 12, 26, Sept 9, 23, about £390 excluding air fare.)

Like the Wine Club, Blackheath Travel has been running wine holidays for a decade and its Portuguese tours are always among the most popular. The Port Wine Tour, for instance, takes in what for me is the most beautiful wine-producing region in the world – the Douro – with visits to the port-wine firms of Quinta do Noval and Cockburn's. This trip (seven nights, departing Sept 30, £355) also includes visits to the vinho verde and Mateus Rosé regions, plus the handsome palace at Vila Real whose picture graces every label of the pink fizz.

Blackheath Travel makes certain that plenty of free time is included in all the trips, which is partly why the tour of Madrid and Rioja (seven nights, departing Oct 4, £440) also looks excellent; the visit starts with three days in Madrid, giving everyone a chance to wander round the Prado and the Palace at leisure before going on to the Rioja region to see important *bodegas*, such as the traditional Lopez de Heredia and the ultra-modern Olarra.

Finally, if you have always wanted to stay in a French château and learn about wine at the same time, why not try the pretty rose-pink château of the Médoc – Loudenne's Ecole du Vin? A fairly concentrated five-night trip (departs Sept 10, Nov 5, £495) is run by the capable Master of Wine Charles Eve and includes lectures on tasting, viticulture and viniculture, plus visits to other châteaux. Perhaps the biggest bonus is that, unlike the other wine tours, each Loudenne course is limited to 12 people.

Jane MacQuitty

Further details from: The Wine Club, New Acquitaine House, Paddock Road, Reading; German Wine Academy, 121 Gloucester Place, London W1; Blackheath Travel, 13 Blackheath Village, London SE3; Ecole du Vin, Gilbey House, Harlow, Essex.

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FAMILY LIFE

The fascination of furniture put in its place

London's East End may be poor, but at least it is well endowed with galleries and museums. One is the Geffrye Museum in Shoreditch with its collection of English furniture from the early seventeenth century to the 1930s.

Situated in some eighteenth-century almshouses named after Sir Robert Geffrye, their benefactor and a former Lord Mayor of London, the museum was set up by the London County Council in 1914; an appropriate move since Shoreditch was then at the heart of London's furniture and cabinet-making industry.

Today, the Inner London Education Authority has capitalized on the remarkable collection of furniture and made it into one of the capital's principal educational resources. The museum's workshops have become a Saturday afternoon haven for children wanting to learn all manner of things from how to make paper to sepia and hand-coloured photographs.

I took one adult and two children (aged 10 and 12) for a brief visit there one Sunday several months ago. The adult, whose interest in furniture and woodwork is long-standing, was fascinated; the children were less so, but on their own admission this was largely because it was a cold day and they were brooding about a pile of unfinished homework. We all agreed, however, that in different circumstances and with more time, anyone with an interest in English furniture – its construction, materials used and evolution of styles – would enjoy a visit.

At the Geffrye you can see interiors of rooms representing nearly 350 years of history: Elizabethan, Stuart, William and Mary, Queen Anne, early and late Georgian, Regency, mid-Victorian and Edwardian through to the 1930s. All the furniture and virtually all the furnishings and fittings are authentic and exceptionally fine examples of their genre. They have been acquired from numerous sources and in several instances, snatched from under the noses of the demolition men.

My three companions felt that the exhibits could have been better lit so that more detail could be seen. The items, too, could have been better indexed, for although the captions for the interiors are nicely presented, we would have liked to have been able to identify particular items and read about them at greater length.

Where you pause the longest will depend on your preference for the different historical periods depicted. For me it was in the Jacobean and late-Georgian rooms, and at the period costume display cases. My adult companion, an architect with a passion for Art Nouveau, stayed the longest in the Edwardian room, coveting the fixtures and fittings, most of which were designed by Voysey, and in the woodworker's shop admiring the tools. The children enjoyed looking at early kitchen tools and vessels, but were most interested in one of the 1930s rooms where they felt some of the items were "more modern than today's furniture".

We did not have the time to use the museum's *Guide for young people*, which is a pity. At 70p, this is a well-written account of the collection which encourages inquiry and, by attributing imaginary families to each room, helps bring the various periods alive. It not only explains the functions of the furniture, but describes the historical background to the times, asks questions and provides scope for children to draw or complete pictures of some of the items on display. We did, however, purchase from the museum shop several inexpensive and well-produced booklets on subjects ranging from wooden-framed buildings to Windsor chairs.

Our overall impression was of a pretty museum; somewhere worth revisiting and spending more time. The children thought they would gain more from a group visit with a trained member of staff and an opportunity to do project work.

Many local children do just that at weekends, sometimes bringing parents and grandparents along. There is a different subject every week (next week, plaster casts and mouldings; the week after, making a ship in a bottle; and the week after that making pinhole cameras).

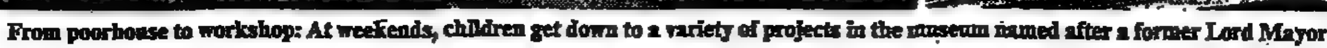
The director of the educational staff, Linda Parsons, thinks that "today we are competing with children's many other interests. If we succeed it is perhaps because the atmosphere is very friendly and we try to give them something that will really interest them."

Judy Froshaug

The Geffrye Museum, Kingsland Road, London E2 (739 8368), is open Tues to Sat, 10am-5pm, Sun 2-5pm, admission free. Sessions for groups from primary and secondary schools can be arranged through the museum's education department, but a term's notice is usually required. Special projects are run at half-term and during the school holidays on a variety of subjects, many of them craft based. Saturday activities (10am-noon, 2-4pm, free) are arranged on a first come-first served basis, and children are advised to contact the museum during midweek or by Friday at the latest for details of the day's topic.

Laurie Sparham





From poorhouse to workshop: At weekends, children get down to a variety of projects in the museum named after a former Lord Mayor

Outings

PLAYDAY: An opportunity for anyone interested in the many aspects of putting on a play, from first read-through to opening night, to meet the cast, director, designer and technical staff involved in the Derby Playouse's current production – Rattigan's *French Without Tears*.

Derby Playhouse, Theatre Walk, Eagle Centre, Derby (0332 363275). Today, 4.30 pm-6.30 pm. Workshop only £1, workshop and evening performance £4, £4.50.

THREE HISTORIC RAILWAY FILMS: For all railway enthusiasts, three films on various aspects–*Night Mail*, *How a Locomotive is Built* and *Power to Order*. The programme lasts about an hour.

Science Museum, South Kensington, London SW7 (589 3456). Today at 3 pm. Free.

THE BAD NEWS BEARS: Walter Matthau in one of his best performances as the ex-baseball professional who coaches a Little League team of impossible no-hope kids to victory. Fine performance also by Tatum O'Neal. Cartoon follows main feature. Children's Cinema Club, Cinema 2, Barbican Centre, London EC2 (638 4141). Today at 11 am and 2.30 pm. Full membership £1, day membership 50p. Child £1, adults (accompanied by member) £1.50.

KENWOOD PROM: Quite one of the most enjoyable ways of listening to an open-air concert *en famille*, by the lake at Kenwood. Take a picnic and blanket and enjoy the Philharmonia Orchestra in a programme of Arnold, Strauss, Shostakovich, Mayer and Tchaikovsky, with fireworks to finish. Its worth arriving early to find a good place to sit as on a fine evening space is at a premium. Kenwood Lakeside, Hampstead Lane, London NW3. Today from 8 pm. Grass-seating only. Adults £2, children £1.

THE FROZEN LIMITS: Crazy Gang classic with Flanagan, Allen, Nervo, Knox, Naughton and Gold on a gold hunt in Alaska, followed by Chaplin in *Kid Auto Races at Venice, California*. Junior NFT, South Bank, London SE1 (928 3232). Today and tomorrow at 4pm. Family Audiences. Children £1.20, including automatic Junior NFT membership, adults £2.40.

ALDERSHOT ARMY DISPLAY: Huge annual event with static displays of military equipment, plus an arena display featuring the Red arrows, (today only). Red Caps and Red Devils, Massed Bands, re-enactment of a modern battle, plus the Battle of Britain Memorial Fly Past and Grand Finals – "A Bridge Too Far". Rushmoor Arena, Fleet Road, Aldershot, Hants (0252 24431). Today and tomorrow 9.30am-7.30pm. Arena display 2.30pm-4.30pm. Free.

LOST ROCKERS OF DAVID OXTOBY: Last chance to see a small but vibrant exhibition of some 20 cibachrome prints of paintings of the rock stars of the 1950s and 1960s – including Elvis Presley, Bill Haley, Buddy Holly and Gene Vincent. The collection was lost in 1979, recently rediscovered and should be of particular interest to pop lovers with a passion for that era. The Museum and Art Gallery, Chequer Road, Doncaster, South Yorkshire (0302 62095). Today 10am-5pm, tomorrow 2pm-5pm, Monday 10am-5pm. Free.

FLYING DISPLAY: A high standard of flying can be expected if weather conditions are suitable, with the emphasis on sporting aircraft between the wars. Shuttleworth Collection, Old Warden Aerodrome, Biggleswade, Beds (076 727 288). Tomorrow. Gates open 10.30am, flying begins at 2pm. Car plus occupants £6, adult pedestrians £1.50, children £1.

ALNWICK FAIR: Annual recreation of one of the very oldest fairs in the country, dating back to the thirteenth century, in one of Northumberland's prettiest towns. Many events throughout the week include a daily market, medieval jousting, mummers, dancers and number of evening entertainments. A grand procession marks the opening. Alnwick Market Place, Alnwick, Northumberland. Tomorrow until June 30. Free.

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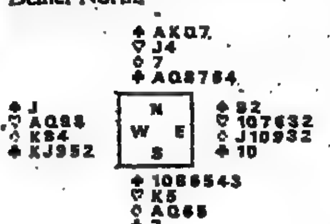
Soldierly tactics but no live ammunition

Sheehan, Rose, Coyle and Shenkin, four members of the team which will represent Great Britain in the Olympiad in Seattle this October, recently played a practice match against the nucleus of the Italian team, Garozzo, De Falco, Lauria and Mosca. The British quartet were reinforced by Dixon and Silverstone, who were unlucky not to be selected for the British team.

It would be an exaggeration to describe the match as light-hearted, but it was a little like a military exercise without live ammunition. The home side led after the first two sessions but, failing to resist a strong Italian charge in the final session, lost by 30 IMPs.

If British supporters were mildly disappointed by the narrow defeat, there was unexpected reassurance in the British superiority in slam bidding. This is a department of the game where in the past we have habitually lost points to the Italians. Sheehan and Rose gained no fewer than four slam swings. Here is one of them.

Great Britain v Italy. Game all. Dealer North.



North: ♠ A K Q 7 ♥ J 4 ♦ 7 ♣ A Q 8 7 6 4
West: ♠ J ♥ A Q 9 8 ♦ K 8 4 ♣ K J 9 5 2
East: ♠ 9 2 ♥ 10 7 6 3 2 ♦ J 10 9 3 2 ♣ 10
South: ♠ 10 8 6 5 4 3 ♥ K 5 ♦ A Q 6 5 ♣ 3

W	N	E	S
De Falco	Sheehan	Garozzo	Rose
–	1♣	No	1♠
No	2♥(1)	No	3♦
No	4♠	No	5♠(2)
No	6♠(3)	No	No
No	–	–	–

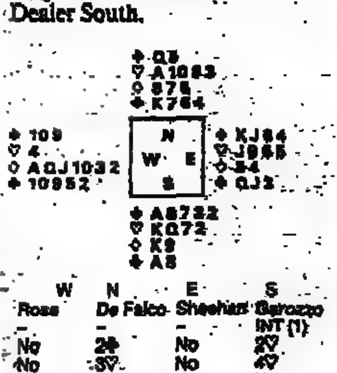
(1) The hand is too strong for a rebid of four spades. A jump to four diamonds would promise first round control. Sheehan's improvisation would convey his diamond shortage when he jumped on the next round.
(2) A brave bid, seeking reassurance about the quality of North's trumps.
(3) 24-carat.

De Falco led the ♠J. Rose won and naturally started to develop the clubs to dispose of his heart losers. If the clubs had divided 3–3 he would have made 13 tricks, and a 4–2 break would suffice to ensure 12. As it was, he was heading for defeat. Possibly hoping that De Falco had the ♠J 10, or conceivably thinking it wouldn't matter, Garozzo ruffed the second club with the ♠9. It turned out to be a fatal error.

Rose over-ruffed, cashed the ♦A and ruffed a diamond, ruffed a club, and ruffed another diamond, dislodging the ♦K. Nothing could prevent him from discarding one of dummy's hearts on the ♦Q and establishing dummy's clubs. If Garozzo had preserved his ♠9, dummy would have lacked the vital spade entry to enjoy dummy's long club.

Benito Garozzo may lack the Sicilian's supposed thirst for revenge, but he invariably gets his own back.

Italy v Great Britain. Game all. Dealer South.



North: ♠ Q 5 ♥ A 10 8 3 ♦ 8 7 6 ♣ K 7 6 4
West: ♠ 10 9 ♥ 4 ♦ A Q J 10 3 2 ♣ 10 9 5 2
East: ♠ K J 6 4 ♥ J 9 6 5 ♦ 5 4 ♣ Q J 3
South: ♠ A 8 7 3 2 ♥ K Q 7 2 ♦ K 9 ♣ A 8

W	N	E	S
Rose	De Falco	Sheehan	Garozzo
–	–	–	1NT (1)
No	2♣	No	2♥
No	3♥	No	4♥
Dble (2)	No	No	No

Opening lead ♦2

(1) When Garozzo originally sorted his cards, the ♠2 nestled neatly in the club suit. It was not until after the opening lead that he appreciated his actual distribution.
(2) A typical Rose gambit. The opponent's bidding shows that they are limited. Rose knows that the trumps will break badly, and hopes that declarer will encounter insuperable distributional storms.

Garozzo won the lead in hand with the ♣A and played a spade to Rose's ♠10, dummy's ♠Q, and Sheehan's ♠K. Sheehan switched to the ♦5. Although it appears automatic to play the ♦K, Garozzo showed his famous "nose" for what is happening at the table by playing the ♦9. Rose won with the ♦10 and continued with the ♦A and the ♦Q, which Garozzo was forced to ruff.

Surely the bad trump break spelt certain doom for Garozzo? But wait. He cashed the ♥K and played a heart to dummy's ♥A, once again demonstrating that he had sniffed out the nature of Rose's double. When Garozzo played a spade from dummy, Sheehan played the *Knave of Spades*. Why? Remember the bidding. Not only had Garozzo opened one no trump, he had not even revealed his five-card spade suit in response to Stayman.

The play of the ♠J was not fatal in itself, but when Garozzo continued with the ♠8, Sheehan was so surprised by the unexpected turn of events that he "ruffed" with the ♥9. "No Spades, partner?", Rose inquired. Sheehan sheepishly produced a spade while the ♥9 remained as a penalty card, and dummy discarded a club. Garozzo scored the ♠7 and then played the ♠3, ruffing with dummy's ♥10. Sheehan was ignominiously forced to under-ruff with the ♥9. The ♥Q made the thirteenth trick.

"Why did you double, Rose?", Garozzo asked politely.

Jeremy Flint

COLLECTING

Fun and Civilian Warfare in pursuit of New York's smart art

Pictures by Andy Levin/Black Star

The smart place to shop for modern art in New York is no longer SoHo – the area of renovated warehouse buildings south of Houston Street, where the big names like Leo Castelli and Mary Boone offer their wares. It is a series of little storefront galleries on the Lower East Side, many of them way over in the area between First Avenue and Avenue B, a few years ago almost entirely derelict and inhabited – if at all – by non-English-speaking Puerto Ricans, heavy-leather motorcycle gangs, and junkies.

Many of these original inhabitants still survive, but they are being rapidly pushed out, thanks to a process of gentrification started by artists and gallery owners. On Sunday afternoons, which is the smart time to visit the East Village art-scene, you can see Park Avenue art-buffs, in Pucci blouses and designer jeans, stumbling along the uneven pavement of East 11th Street, on their way to check out the current show at Civilian Warfare. Civilian Warfare was one of the earliest galleries to invade the area, and is located in a block one side of which is almost totally burnt out.



View of Art or Reality in the gallery of the same name

East Village galleries often sound more like rock groups than places where you can buy art. In addition to Civilian Warfare there is the F.U.N. Gallery, and Area X, and P.P.O.W. and Sensory Evolution and Virtual Garrison. But the prices they charge can be serious enough. The Sharpe Gallery, also on East 11th Street (but a little nearer to civilization), has just closed a show by the Berlin neo-expressionist Thomas Schindler which was a virtual sell-out although the paintings were $4,000 each. The gallery's previous show was of work by Cheryl Laemmele, who is represented in the great reopening show at the Modern Museum, selected by Kynaston McShine. But prices can be more reasonable than this. If you want to take a chance on a beginner (or even not such a beginner) showing with one of the minor galleries, the price for a drawing, or even a small painting, can be as low as $50.

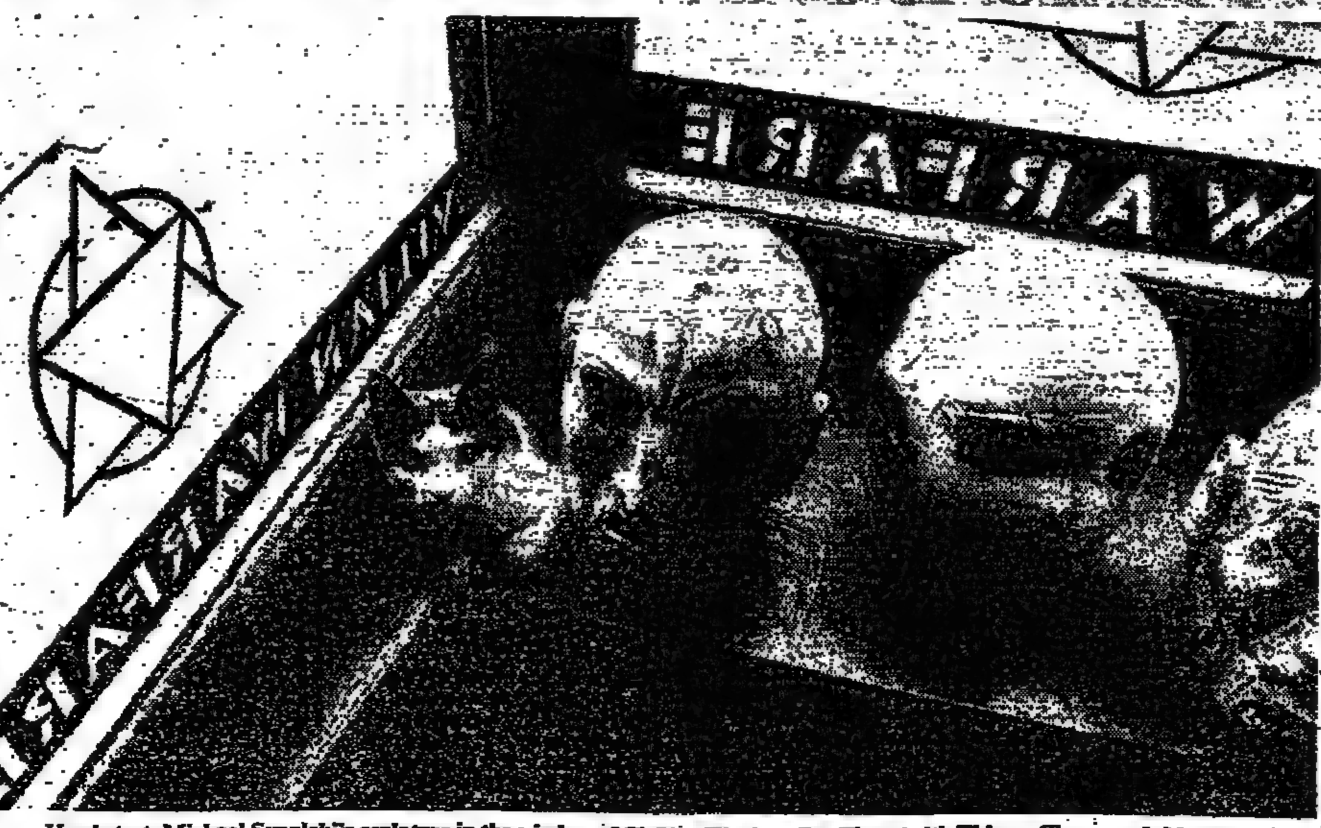
Until recently, the East Village was regarded chiefly as the place to buy work by the so-called "Graffiti Artists", most of them New York ghetto kids in their teens or early twenties, who graduated on to canvas after learning their trade spray-painting subway trains. F.U.N., run by Patti Astor, used to sell good examples of these paintings at about $500 each. But now the Graffiti painters have graduated not merely to SoHo (many of them to Tony Shafrazi, one of the "hottest" young dealers in town), but uptown to Sidney Janis on West 57th Street, who was once Jackson Pollock's dealer. It is a sudden apotheosis.

Which are the galleries to visit in the East Village now? In addition to those already mentioned, two are outstanding. One is Gracie-Mansion, a cheekily named complex of cubby-hole-like spaces, with a pocket-handkerchief "sculpture garden" at the rear. This is on East 10th Street. The other is the Pat Hearn Gallery, on the corner of Avenue B and East 6th Street.

Pat Hearn is the standard-bearer for a new movement which is clearly on the brink of success. Neo-surrealism is beginning to challenge neo-expressionism. One of the chief exponents of the new manner, and one of Pat Hearn's artists, is Peter Schuyff, who paints abstract biomorphic forms which look as if they are in cut-out shallow relief. These designs are often painted directly on top of junk-shop nineteenth-century landscapes; not effaced, but simply turned sideways or upside down. Mr Schuyff is attracting the right kind of rather worried reviews from New York critics, and his pictures are popping up in prestigious locations. I saw one, priced at $5,000 but already sold, in one of the big SoHo galleries on West Broadway. Like the whole East Village scene, this artist seems to be upwardly mobile

Edward Lucie-Smith





Head start: Michael Sypulski's sculpture in the window of Civilian Warfare; Pat Hearn with Thierry Cheverney's Untitled

CONCISE CROSSWORD (No 375)

Prizes of the New Collins Concise English dictionary will be given for the first two correct solutions opened on Thursday, June 28, 1984. Entries should be addressed to The Times Concise Crossword Competition, 12 Coley Street, London WC99 9YT. The winners and solution will be announced on Saturday, June 30, 1984.

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1 Individual disposition (11)
9 Prohibition (7)
10 Arrangement (3,2)
11 Married woman (3)
13 Land-bound slave (4)
16 Diver bird (4)
17 Trip task (6)
18 Stove (4)
20 Predatory seabird (4)
21 Drunk (6)
22 Spool (4)
23 Cremation fire (4)
25 Energy unit (3)
28 Chubby (5)
29 Crosswise (7)
30 Commercial goods (11)

DOWN
2 Glowing coal (5)
3 Wholesome (4)
4 Space (4)
5 Rock growth (4)
6 Linked stations (7)
7 Earthquake register (11)
8 Impulsiveness (11)
12 Fame (6)
14 Drained marsh (3)
15 Bomb hole (6)
19 Accomplish (7)
20 Liberal Alliance partners (1,1,1)
24 Ages (5)
25 Heroic poem (4)
26 Festive occasion (4)
27 Dull heavy sound (4)

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CHESS

Good news, bad news on the doorstep

The other day the postman left two large missives on my doorstep, not endeavouring to force them through my narrow letter-box. One was from London, the other from Switzerland, and both appeared to have taken the same time to reach me.

Both contained books for review. The London one was something really new. It was *The World of Penguin*, the publisher's complete catalogue (£1). This omnibus catalogue contained over 5,000 titles and the first section I turned to was naturally that of chess. It comprised only three titles, two of them mine and one by Bill Hartston.

So far so (limited) good. I had two books and Bill Hartston's was an excellent work on the openings. But, alas, there was no mention of the book on the middle-game by Keres and Kotov which I edited and translated from the Russian some 20 years ago. So it is now out of print and this is a major disaster since the *Art of the Middle-Game*, in particular that part written by Paul Keres, is the best ever written on that subject.

As some sort of recompense, from Switzerland there came a delightful book, *Chess Characters: Reminiscences of a Badmaster* by G. H. Diggle (£7 post-free from Edward Winter, 15 rue Goetz-Monin, CH-1205 Geneva, Switzerland).

This contains 100 articles that have already appeared in the British Chess Federation's *News-Flash* and those who have read them will know what to expect – a mine of quaint, humorous and colourful information, suffering, it is true, from the unusual handicap of being written in decent, literary English; but Mr Diggle comes from a time when they did not enjoy the delights of rock 'n' roll, synthetic foods and nuclear explosions.

My intention was to illustrate all this by one of the badmaster's own games; but the only one he gives lasts seven moves. Instead, here is a game from the London 1883 tournament which Zukertort should have lost – as Mr Diggle points out.

White: A. B. Skipworth. Black: J. H. Zukertort. Q.G.D. Round 5, London 1883.

1 P-QB4 P-K3 2 P-K3 N-KB3
3 N-KB3 P-Q4 4 P-Q4 B-K2
5 N-B3 O-O 6 B-Q3 P-QN3
7 O-O P-B4 8 BPxP KPxP
9 P-K4

In the tournament book Zukertort gives the move a query and says that now Black should have played 9...P-B5.

9 ... BPxP 10 QNxP NxN
11 PxN B-B3

If 11...QxP 12 NxP when QxN fails against BxP ch.

12 Q-K2 B-N2 13 BxP ch K-R1
14 B-K4 BxP 15 R-Q1 N-B3
16 BxB QxB 17 B-K3 KR-Q1
18 QR-B1 QR-B1 19 Q-Q2 QxP
20 B-N5 BxB 21 QxB P-B3
22 Q-N6 Q-K3

This should have lost; instead Q-Q4 would have preserved his advantage.

23 R-R1?

Missing the winning move-23 N-N5.

23 ... R-Q4 24 Q-Q3 P-R4
25 QR-B1 R(B1)-Q1 26 Q-N3 P-QN4
27 R-B5 P-N5 28 Q-B4 N-K4
29 NxN QxN 30 R-B7 P-Q6
31 Q-R4 ch

Played on the well-known principle of "never miss a check, it might be mate"; but by now White has missed his winning opportunities.

31 ... K-N1 32 Q-QB4 P-Q7
33 P-QN3 Q-K8 ch 34 Q-B1 R-K1
35 resigns

Mr Diggle surmises that had Zukertort lost this game he might well have cracked up, and he points out that Skipworth did in fact retire through ill-health half way through the tournament. Perhaps he does not know that Skipworth, who quarrelled bitterly with every tournament controller, was noted for his continual withdrawal from tournaments when and where he was doing badly.

"Of such is the kingdom of heaven"?

Harry Golombek

■ For all those interested in great and beautiful chess, the first round of the match between the USSR and the Rest of the World will be played tomorrow from 3pm to 8pm at the Shell Northern Building, Millharbour, West India Dock Road, London, E14. Second Round, Mon; adjourned games Tues, 3-9pm; Round 3, Wed; adjourned games Thurs and Round 4 Fri. Entry fee £1, schoolchildren free. Don't miss seeing the world champion Anatoly Karpov, his challenger Gary Kasparov, and grandmasters such as Korchnoi, Smyslov, Tal, Petrosian, Portisch, Miles and Timman.

Video cassettes

REVIEW

Recalling good sports and high court drama



Greats of the golden age: Suzanne Lenglen, champion seven times in the twenties . . .



. . . and J. D. Budge, following through in the thirties

Wimbledon is already uncommonly well covered on video and next Monday, the opening day of this year's tournament, the BBC is adding to the generous selection of footage with the first in what is intended to be a series of tapes under the title "The Best of . . .".

With so much material to choose from – the BBC has archives of its Wimbledon coverage going back some 30 years – the problem is what to put in and what to leave out. For this new series, the idea was to give as much uninterrupted tennis as possible and this first tape offers, with the minimum of embellishment, the complete final sets from two outstanding matches of the 1970s: Stan Smith v Nastase in the 1972 men's final and that epic 1977 semi-final between Borg and Gerulaitis.

It is an approach that certainly works, as it will work for other matches as the series expands. In almost complete contrast is Thorn EMI's *Decade of Wimbledon*, which tells the story of the championships between 1971 and 1980. This is a necessarily quick resumé, for with the men's and women's singles finals covered for each year, the average time devoted to each match cannot be more than two or three minutes.

The Best of Wimbledon (90 min). BBC, £24.95.
Decade of Wimbledon (60 min). Thorn EMI, £20.
Wimbledon 83 (60 min). MirrorVision, £19.95.
The Great English Garden Party (50 min). Quadrant, £19.50.

What the tape does capture is the ebb and flow of Wimbledon history in the wider sense during the 1970s: the year when the top professionals boycotted the tournament and the crowds were bigger than ever; the appearance, shocking to traditionists, of the betting tent, in 1975; and the domination of the second half of the decade by the remarkably self-contained, invariably sportsmanlike Bjorn Borg.

For those wishing to travel down memory lane in greater detail than this 10-year span allows is the series covering single years, of which *Wimbledon 83* is the latest in a fairly long line. The key matches are, naturally, the anchor point, but the tape is more than just a reprise of Dan Maskell remarking, "Oh I say, what a lovely stop volley".

In 1983 the tournament had a new referee, Alan Mills, and the All-England Club, which runs the show, elected its first woman committee member, Virginia Wade. Both are interviewed about their roles and seen fulfilling them, an interesting adjunct to the dramas on court. Excerpts from the matches are shrewdly chosen.

Complementing all the above-mentioned cassettes, since its business is less with great matches than with putting Wimbledon in an historical context, is an older tape. *The Great English Garden Party*, produced for the tournament's centenary in 1977. It opens with a reconstruction of the first men's final, watched it seems by only a few dozen people, and pulls in archive film as the story moves into the twentieth century.

Peter Ustinov is the presenter and narrator, managing to be both witty and reverent and conveying the flavour of Wimbledon which, as much as first-class cricket in this country, has accurately reflected the social changes of the last century. With McEnroe's latest outburst fresh in the eardrums, it is salutary to recall the immaculately behaved players of the inter-war years, in long dresses and flannel trousers, content to play within Wimbledon's no doubt feudal and authoritarian structure.

The main grumble about the tape, apart from its muddy colour, is that it is too short by half. Having taken the trouble to interview such as Perry, Borotra, Budge and Mrs Kitty Godfree, the makers of the cassette then consign the results to a few seconds on the screen, which is a shameful waste.

Peter Waymark

Mysteries and terrors of the armchair chart-toppers

A typical hit parade of the most popular videos based on volume of rentals provides an instructive indication of the nation's film-viewing tastes. It is also probably a more accurate guide than a similar list garnered from the statistics of cinema admissions.

As might be expected, certain films have done well both at the box-office and in the high street – the *Rocky* and *Superman* films, *Raiders of the Lost Ark* and variations on the *Star Wars* and tcendance formulae, for example. But there is a surprising number of films (not of any great artistic merit, but not video nasties) which have become video hits while flopping both critically and commercially in the cinema.

Fear of the unknown, in its various guises, plays a large part in the video charts. In *The Entity*, the unknown is a rapist, entering Barbara Hershey's house and body with fearful clattering and vandalism but without the semblance of corporeal existence. The film is said to be based on actual events which, however, occurred in California. The shrinks say that it's all in her mind, but the para-psychologists score a smashing victory by trapping the demon in helium ice. Sydney Furie is a competent director, and some of the effects are not unenterprising.

The Rats deals with more tangible terrors. Of course, the villain is SuperRat again, immune to all forms of intelligent direction, and therefore obliged to be shown in blurry darkness. The health inspector's warnings are disregarded by all, so she, inexplicably, takes her lover's son down into the tunnels of the city's new subway, where Ratty lurks. The humans don't act quite so well as the rodents and it is usually a relief to descend to the sewers.

The Entity (1981) CBS/Fox (119 min). The Rats (1982) Guild Home Video (88 min). Young Warriors (1983) Guild Home Video (98 min). Young Doctors in Love (1982) Rank Video (95 min). The Choirboys (1979) CBS/Fox (119 min). About £45 each.

Vigilante films score frighteningly well in the video charts. The message is always the same. If the law fails, justice must take its course. In *Young Warriors* the law is represented by police chief Ernest Borgnine, whose daughter is raped and dies, upon which his son demands revenge. Borgnine delivers a "Leave it to the police" speech of such incompetence and banality that the Lord Chancellor himself would have turned to private vengeance on hearing it. The typically high-spirited Californian youngsters turn psychopathic killers at a stroke.

On the whole, they are more appealing in the latter guise, but it all turns sour when the wrong people keep getting bumped off, including the vigilantes themselves. Borgnine and order triumph, with only minor losses – most of his family and half the inhabitants of Malibu.

Not all popular videos are devoid of intellectual worth. There are, for instance, a number of films dedicated to the search for truth, bent on informing the viewer what really goes on behind the scenes of . . . (insert the name of any institution). *Young Doctors in Love* depicts the wild wacky world of a big city hospital, where operations go laughingly wrong, doctors and nurses play doctors and nurses, and true love means having to operate on your lover to save her life, because the real surgeons are too drunk or frightened to do so. The main losers are those customers who rented the video in the expectation that its orgiastic and be-nippled cover bore any relation to the tedious content.

The police, too, have their wild wacky world – of drunkenness, incompetence, licentiousness, dishonesty and violence. *The Choirboys* have a lot of fun, unlike their victims, among whom is the viewer.

Marcel Berlins

Cogent documentary

D-Day – The Great Crusade (112 min). Granada, £24.95.

With an admirable sense of topicality and impressive speed, Granada Video has joined forces with Independent Television News to produce a D-Day cassette which covers not only the historic events of June 1944 but comes right up to date with footage from the recent fortieth anniversary ceremonies.

For once, the tape is long enough to give its subject a proper airing, instead of scampering through it in 50 minutes in the hope of not boring the viewer. The story – the planning, the preparation, the deceptions, the war for the skies and, finally, the storming of the beaches and the long battles that followed – is mainly familiar and has often been told over the last few weeks.

But rarely has it been presented so crisply and coherently, so that even the most militarily ignorant have no difficulty following what is going on. This is television documentary at its most cogent, a flow of word and image that feasts the eyes and informs the mind. Perhaps the best that can be said about the presentation is that it has the excitement of today's headlines, rather than those of 40 years ago.

P.W.

THE WEEK

CONCERTS





SATIE MARATHON
Today, 3pm, Almeida Theatre, 295 Upper Street, London N1 (359 4404)
As part of the Almeida Festival's Satie Weekend a relay of 20 pianists will give a "complete" performance of his *Vexations*. The same little piece will be played 840 times, and is expected to last until approximately 3pm tomorrow.

SZYMANOWSKI
Today, 7.30pm, Purcell Room, South Bank, (928 3191, credit cards 928 8800)
Szymanowski's exotic and beautiful *Mythes* for violin and piano are played by Duncan Ridell and Simon Shewring. They add Janáček's Sonata and Fauré's Sonata No 1 (Op 13).

TAKEMITSU
Today, 8pm, The Maltings, Snape, Suffolk (072 885 3543)
Toward the Sea by Takemitsu, the resident composer at this year's Aldeburgh Festival, has its British premiere from the Britten-Pears Orchestra under Oliver Knussen. George Malcolm conducts them in Beethoven's *Prometheus* Overture and Radu Lupu solos in Beethoven's Piano Concerto No 3.

NICKEL/NICKEL
Mon, 1.10pm, St Anne's, Gresham Street, London EC2 (373 5566)
Some fairly unusual piano duet music is performed by Nancy Le Roi Nickel and Timothy Nickel, including Schubert's *Lebenstürme*, Hindemith's Sonata of 1938 and Debussy's *Epigraphes Antiques*.

BON IN BLUE
Mon, 7.30pm, Royal Northern College of Music, 124 Oxford Road, Manchester (061-273 4504)
Bon's Passacaglia in Blue is played by the RNCM Wind Ensemble, as are Surinach's *Heathen Iberia*, Andriessen's Bassoon Concertino, Rimsky-Korsakov's Obóe Concerto and Mendelssohn's Overture in C.

LISZT SERIES
Tues, 7.30pm, Wigmore Hall (935 2141, credit cards 741 9999)
For the fourth concert in his significant Liszt series, the Korean pianist Kun Woo Paik performs the first two volumes of *Années de Pèlerinage* – both marvellous collections – and the early *Soir dans les Montagnes*.

KUBELIK/LSO
Tues, 7.45pm, Barbican Centre (628 8795, credit cards 638 8891)
Rafael Kubelik conducts the London Symphony Orchestra in Janáček's Sinfonietta and Bruckner's Symphony No 9.

URI/FIXMAN
Wed, 8pm, St John's, Smith Square, London SW1 (222 1061)
Some unusual pieces have been chosen for this concert by the Ben Uri Chamber Orchestra under Sydney Fixman. They include Bloch's Concerto Grosso No 2, Paul Ben Haim's Songs without Words and Wilfred Joseph's *Canzones*. This is part of the B'nai Brith Festival.

MARTLAND PREMIERE
Wed, 8pm, Almeida Theatre
Steve Martland's *Lotta Continua* receives its London première from the Contemporary Chamber Orchestra. Odaline de la Martinez also conducts Birtwistle's *Carmen Arcadiae Mechanicae Perpetuum*, Forbes's Sonata for 21 and, with Ingrid Culliford, Osborne's Flute Concerto.

GINASTERA MEMORIAL
Thurs, 7.45pm, Queen Elizabeth Hall, South Bank (928 3191, credit cards 928 8000)
Various artists congregate for a concert in memory of Alberto Ginastera, who died a year ago. Included are his Piano Sonata No 1, *Pampeana* No 2, *Milonga* Op 3, Guitar Sonata and the UK première of his Cello Sonata.

WEST IN THE EAST
Thurs, 9.30pm, Almeida Theatre
Lev Kuleshov's silent film, *The Entertaining Adventures of Mr West in the Land of the Bolsheviks*, is screened to the Capricorn ensemble's performance of a new musical accompaniment by Benedict Mason.

KENTNER RECITAL
Thurs, 7.45pm, Institute of Psychiatry, De Crespigny Park, Denmark Hill, London SE5 (703 2917)
Louis Kentner helps to launch the Psychiatry Research Trust with Franck's *Prelude, Chorale and Fugue*, Liszt's *Sposalizio* and *La Leggerazio*, Kodaly's *Dances of Marosszek* and Chopin's Sonata in B Minor, Op 58.

Walk on the Wilde side

The Wilde Music Festival at Bracknell begins on Friday for the weekend only, but packs in an impressive variety of events. Much of it takes place at Bracknell's new Wilde Theatre, where there is in fact a pre-festival concert on Thursday. This has the Reading Symphony Orchestra under Robert Roscoe playing Butterworth's *Shropshire Lad*, Howarth's Trumpet Concerto and Elgar's Symphony No 1.

Friday will be rather quiet, although John Gardner's *Twentieth-Century Encounter* will be included in a song recital by Nigel Perrin. Lontano's concert on Saturday will offer Judith Weir's *Several Concertos*, Bainbridge's *Music for Mel and Nora* and Muldowney's *Theatre Songs*. These are the featured composers of the festival, and they will lead seminars on their work on the morning.

One series of programmes is called *The French Connection*, and under this heading Domus, in their own geodesic dome, will on Saturday afternoon play Delius's Violin Sonata No 2 and Fauré's Piano Quartet No. 1. Later the dome will be the scene of a performance by Park Opera of Britten's *Albert Herring*.

Films will include Leger's *Ballet Mecanique* with music by Michael Nyman and Clair's *Entr'acte* with music by Satie, all played by John Harle's Berliner Band. The Serenata of London with Nigel Kennedy will perform Bach, Holst, Elgar; and Baluji Srivastav will play the sitar for most of Saturday afternoon.

Sunday should be as good, with Domus, still inside their dome, offering Frank Bridge's *Fantasy Quartet*, Searle's *Cat Variations* and Ridout's *Ferdinand the Bull*. Richard Deering plays the complete piano music of Delius, Elgar and Holst, and Sanssouci do a programme called *Haydn in London*.

Max Harrison

South Hill Park, Bracknell, Berkshire (0344 484123).



Listen here: Palfi the clown will be popping up at Bracknell

Bubbles out of Brazil's melting pot

Brazil is one of the largest countries in the world, combining Portuguese, Italian, Spanish, German and Japanese communities as well as the native Indians, yet the exhibition of Brazilian contemporary art starting on Wednesday at the Barbican will be the first extensive display of its kind in Britain. It promises to be revelatory.

Two factors in particular will emerge as setbacks or stimuli to the quality of the work on show. First, in spite of the proximity of the Amazonian jungle, the artists in the cities are very aware of their European origins. Throughout this century, Brazilian artists such as Jose Pancetti, Anita Malfatti and Candido Portinari have travelled to Paris, Berlin and Bologna to learn their trade.

The second factor is the climate which, in both senses of the word, has been hot. The period covered by the exhibition, 1917-75, saw the prosperity of the 1920s turn into the gloom of the depression, as well as the revolution of 1930, the Second World War, and from 1965 to 1974 a dictatorship under General Castello Braco. Even today, the contrast between the fortunes of what is called the "butterfly Martini set" and the shanty town poor is dramatic.

If it had not been for one man, Gilberto Chateaubriand, there would not have been an important collection of the art from this period at all. Born in 1925, the son of a former Brazilian journalist and Ambassador to Britain, he started collecting at the beginning of the 1950s. Today, the collection is 3000-strong; 126 paintings and sculptures will be on show.

Chateaubriand is catholic in his tastes. His collection includes the puritanical and the erotic, the figurative and the abstract. It is national and cosmopolitan.

One theme of the exhibition is the fight to achieve an indigenous culture by casting off what its organizer, Roberto Pontual, calls "an inferiority complex" about Europe. In this spirit, in 1928, the poet Oswald de Andrade coined the phrase "Tupi or not Tupi, that is the question". (The Tupi are one of the principal native tribes.)

Sarah Jane Checkland

"Portraits of a Country: Brazilian Modern Art from the Gilberto Chateaubriand Collection" opens on Wed at the Barbican Art Gallery, Silk Street, London EC2 (638 4141). Until Aug 19 Tues-Sat 10am-7pm; Sun noon-6pm.

Curves, cactuses: Anthropophagical Study by Tarsila do Amaral

GALLERIES

Openings

A BRUSH WITH COLOUR: Educational exhibition about colour in paintings, using some of the best visual aids in the world: works by Leonardo, El Greco and Cézanne. Includes lively models like a 4ft palette with giant brushes arranged to show how colours mix, and a map of the world with flashing lights showing the trade route of pigments over the centuries. The National Gallery, Trafalgar Square, London WC2 (839 3321). Opens Wed. Until Aug 28, Mon-Sat 10am-6pm, Sun 2-6pm.

KEVIN SINNOTT/NEW IMAGES IN PRINTMAKING: Two contemporary exhibitions open at Blond Fine Art this week. In the main gallery, paintings by an artist in his early thirties whose cool, austere style has recently become much more lavish. Scenes of family life and personal incidents are painted in a fully-modelled, thickly-applied manner, harking back to British painting at the beginning of this century. Blond Fine Art, 33 Sackville Street, London W1 (437 1230). Opens Wed. Until July 21, Mon-Fri 10am-6pm, Sat 10am-1pm. Closed Sun.

BARBARA NEWCOMB: COLOUR ETCHINGS: Some 20 landscapes and seascapes in fresh colours, using distinctive printing techniques whereby white areas are specially embossed. National Theatre, South Bank, London SE1, Main Entrance Foyer (928 2033). Opens Mon. Until Aug 4, Mon-Sat 10am-11pm.

Selected

BIRDS IN AN INDIAN GARDEN
P & D Colnaghi, 14 Old Bond Street, London W1 (409 3324). Until July 14, Mon-Fri 10am-5pm, Sat 10am-1pm
Combining both naturalistic and aesthetic appeal, Mughal paintings showing the ornithology of India during the late 1700s.

MASTER DRAWINGS
The British Museum, Great Russell Street, London WC1 (636 1555). Until Aug 19. Mon-Sat 10am-6pm, Sun 2.30-6pm
An inspiring masterclass where one moment you can contemplate original drawings by Fra Angelico, the next, Goya, then Van Gogh and Henry Moore: 150 artists are represented. Includes a fascinating unfinished watercolour landscape by Dürer.

ROMNEY AS A PAINTER OF CHILDREN
Leger Galleries, 13 Old Bond Street, London W1 (629 3538). Until June 30, Mon-Fri 9.30am-5.30pm, Sat 10am-1pm
Major exhibition to mark the 250th anniversary of Romney's birth. Some of the children on show became famous in adulthood, for others an early death was in store. A chance to reevaluate a painter once considered as good as Reynolds but now sadly neglected

ROCOCO
Victoria and Albert (589 6371). Until Sept 30, Mon-Thurs and Sat 10am-5.15pm, Sun 2.30-5.15pm
An inspired exhibition, putting paid to any assumption that rococo equals "oppressively ornate".

ROCK & JAZZ

NEIL DIAMOND
Today to Thurs, Earl's Court, London SW5 (741 8989)
Once upon a time he wrote simple pop songs as good as "Cherry Cherry", "The Boat That I Row" and "Red Red Wine". No longer, sadly.

VAN MORRISON
Tonight, Hexagon Theatre, Reading (0734 591591); tomorrow, Palace Theatre, Manchester (061 236 9922); Tues, De Montfort Hall, Leicester (0533 544444); Wed, Assembly Rooms, Derby (0332 369311); Thurs, Hull City Hall (0482 29908)
Living proof of the late Albert Ayler's dictum about music being the universal panacea.

ELTON JOHN
Tonight and tomorrow, National Exhibition Centre, Birmingham (021 780 2516)
The reunion with his old lyric-writer, Bernie Taupin, seems to have done him the world of good.

JOHN STEVENS
Tonight, Spring Street Theatre, Hull (0482 224800); tomorrow, Intimate Theatre, Green Lanes, London N9 (886 5451); Tues, Arnolfini Gallery, Bristol (0272 299191)
The great British drummer's new 10-piece band features the trombonist Annie Whitehead and the guitarist Ed Speight.

PAUL BRADY
Tomorrow, Shaw Theatre, 100 Euston Road, London NW1 (387 8075); Mon, Albany Empire, Douglas Way, London SE8 (691 3333); Tues, Mean Fiddler, 28a Harlesden High Street, London NW10 (961 5490); Thurs and Fri, Half Moon, Half Moon Lane, Herne Hill, London SE24 (274 2733)
If only all the people who turned up to see Van Morrison would also support Paul Brady, an Irish musician and composer of almost equal gifts, whose "Nothing But The Same Old Story" is perhaps the most pointed and moving song yet written about the experience of being an Irishman in English exile.



Ducal splendour: Stevie Wonder in Brighton this week

MIDSUMMER JAZZ
Mon to Sat, Ronnie Scott's Club, 47 Frith Street, London W1 (439 0747)
Co-promoted by the Musicians Union and Capital Radio, this mini-festival features the quintets of Stan Tracey and Ronnie Scott (Mon), John Taylor's superb sextet and the Alan Skidmore trio (Tues), Dave Bitelli's rousing Onward International (Wed), the Pizza Express All-Stars (Thurs) and the reunited Back Door (Fri).

WEATHER REPORT
Tues, Dominion Threatre, Tottenham Court Road, London W1 (580 9562)
Although their recent output has been, to say the least, lackdustre, in concert the lyric genius of Wayne Shorter's saxophones is guaranteed to shine through.

STEVIE WONDER
Tues an Wed, Brighton Centre (0273 202881)
The news is that he no longer takes requests for "Fingertips" and "Uptight", hits of his childhood, which were laid to rest at a recent concert in Detroit. If that means the introduction of brand new material by a man who may fairly be described as the Duke Ellington of his era, so much the better.

SOUTHSIDE JOHNNY
Wed and Thurs, The Venue, 160 Victoria Street, London SW1 (828 9441)
Without doubt, the rave-up of the week. Springsteen's old pal leads a terrific band and, in "The Fever", I Don't Want To Go Home" and "I Played The Fool", some great songs.

COMPANY WEEK
ICA Theatre, The Mall, London SW1 (930 0493)
Eagerly awaited by those who enjoy the kind of free improvisation which may once have been from jazz but is no longer of it. Derek Bailey's annual assembly of unlikely partners features two "straight" musicians, the clarinettist Anthony Pays and the horn player Philip Eastoe, alongside Thebi Lipere, a drummer from Soweto, John Zorn, the infuriatingly eccentric instrument-maker, and – most intriguingly – Bill Laswell, the bassist who leads the avant-funk band Material

LINTON KWESI JOHNSON
Fri, Academy, 211 Stockwell Road, London SW9 (274 1525)
The Jamaican dub poet performs with Dennis Bovell's admirable band, supported by Chief Ebenezer Obey, of Nigeria.

TRUMPET SUMMIT
Fri, Pizza Express, 10 Dean Street, London W1 (439 8722)
For all the big names listed above, this event could provide the finest music of the week. Tommy McQuater, John McLevy and Digby Fairweather meet in a colloquy of jazz trumpet.

Concerts: Max Harrison; Galleries: Sarah Jane Checkland; Photography: Michael Young; Rock & Jazz: Richard Williams

Photography

KERTESZ
National Museum of Photography, Prince's View, Bradford, West Yorkshire (0274 727488). Until July 29, Tues-Sat noon-8pm, Sun 2.30-6pm
A retrospective exhibition celebrating the ninetieth birthday of the great Hungarian photographer André Kertesz who began his career as a photojournalist. It includes a wide range of material from portraits and eloquent still-lifes to the well-known views taken from his New York apartment.

GREENWICH MEAN TIME
Royal Festival Hall, Level 5, South Bank, London SE1 (928 3002). June 27-July 8, daily 10am-10pm
Vaughan Grylls is by far the most interesting exponent of the composite colour print technique in the country today with the obvious exception of David Hockney, with whom Grylls is always compared. But the comparison is unfair since in Grylls's hands the technique is used to make huge murals.

EISENSTAEDT: ABERDEEN–PORTRAIT OF A CITY
Aberdeen Art Gallery, Schoolhill, Aberdeen (0224 646333). Until July 7, Mon-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 2-5pm
Alfred Eisenstaedt was one of the pioneers of photojournalism who had a long and distinguished career with *Life* magazine. He is still working at the age of 86 and the pictures exhibited here are from a two-week visit to the city last summer.



Horse traders at Puck Fair, Killorglin, County Kerry, from Martin Parr's series on the west coast of Ireland at The Orchard Gallery, Derry, until July 14. Paperback Promenade Press, £5.95

TRAINS
Fox Talbot Museum, Lacock, Chippenham, Wiltshire (0249 73459). Until July 31, daily 11am-6pm
A wide variety of pictures dating from 1867 to the present which will appeal to all railway enthusiasts. The show, drawn from the archives of British Rail, includes a section on the Victorians who kept the trains running.

BRITISH PHOTOGRAPHY: 1839-1900
Victoria and Albert Museum, London (589 6371). Until Aug 19, Mon-Thurs 10am-5.30pm, Sat 10am-5.30pm, Sun 2.30-5.30pm
The best British photography of the period including the famous shot of Brunel standing in front of the Great Eastern launch chains.

FARM SECURITY ADMINISTRATION
Stills Gallery, 105 High Street, Edinburgh (031 557 1140). Until June 30, Tues-Sat 12.30-6pm
Sixty-four wrongly filed colour photographs which were rediscovered in 1978, documenting federal assistance programmes to impoverished farm families ravaged by the depression in the American south from 1939 to 1941.

FRANK MEADOW SUTCLIFFE
Impressions Gallery, 17 Colliergate, York (0904 54724). Until July 17, Tues-Sat 10am-6pm
Forty-two original prints by Sutcliffe taken in and around Whitby between 1876 and 1900.

LES FEMMES
Olympus Gallery, 24 Princes Street, London W1 (491 7591). Until June 26, Mon-Fri 11am-7pm
Jacques-Henri Lartigue, possibly the greatest amateur photographer this century, has lived a charmed life, blessed with both money and leisure. These photographs of the beautiful women who have, it seems, always surrounded him are a unique document of changing fashions in clothes and style. The exhibition celebrates Lartigue's ninetieth birthday. It covers the period 1902 to the present; he is, of course, still taking pictures.

ENTERTAINMENTS

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ROYAL FESTIVAL HALL

Saturday 23 June 7.30 pm	BBC INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF LIGHT MUSIC BBC Concert Orchestra Ashley Lawrence (cond) Lillian Watson (sop) Malcolm Messiter (oboe) David Jacobs introduces More Melodies for You. £2.30, £3.60, £4.80, £6.20, £7.50, £8.00 — BBC in assoc with the GLC
Sunday 24 June 3.15 pm	YOUR OPERA POPS Ernest Read Symphony Orchestra Aeolian Singers Ian Butler (cond) Kathleen Livingstone (sop) Prog inc Wagner Mastersingers Ov Pilgrims Chorus Puccini They call me Mimi Bizet Carmen selection wks by Verdi etc. £2, £3, £4, £5 — SEE (Save Eyes Everywhere)
Sunday 24 June 7.30 pm	ROYAL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA Walter Weller (cond) Dame Janet Baker (m-sop) Debussy Prelude a l'apres-midi d'un faune Ravel Sheherazade Mahler Symphony No 1 (Titan) (Please note change of conductor) £2.30, £3.50, £4.50, £5.50, £6.50, £7.50, £8.50 — RPO Ltd
Monday 25 June 7.30 pm	PHILHARMONIA ORCHESTRA Neville Marriner (conductor) Cho-Liang Lin (violin) Haydn Symphony No 104 (London) Strauss Rosenkavalier Suite, Tchaikovsky Violin Concerto £2.30, £3.50, £4.50, £5.50, £6.50, £7.50, £8.50 — Philharmonia Ltd
Tuesday 26 June 7.30 pm	LONDON CHORAL SOCIETY Philharmonia Orchestra Jane Glover (cond) Gabriele Fontana (sop) Alfreda Hodgson (cont) Robin Leggate (ten) Brian Rayner Cook (bar) Mozart Eine kleine Nachtmusik Vesperae Solennes de Confessore, Haydn Nelson Mass £3.50, £4.50, £5.50, £6.50, £7.50, £8.50 (only) — London Choral Society
Wednesday 27 June 8.00 pm	In the presence of H.R.H. The Princess Anne BRITISH COUNCIL GOLDEN JUBILEE CONCERT inc Academy of Ancient Music, John Alldis Choir, Amadeus String Quartet, Fires of London, Philip Jones Brass Ensemble, Stan Tracey Jazz Quartet. £3.00, £6.00, £8.00, £10.00 (only) — Harold Holt Ltd
Thursday 28 June 7.30 pm	ROYAL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA Kurt Masur (conductor) Stephen Bishop-Kovacevich (piano) Weber Overture Oberon Brahms Piano Concerto No 1 Beethoven Symphony No 7 £2.30, £3.50, £4.50, £8.50 (only) — RPO Ltd
Friday 29 June 7.30 pm	PHILHARMONIA ORCHESTRA Paavo Berglund (conductor) Ralph Kirshbaum (cello) Sibelius The Swan of Tuonela Dvorak Cello Concerto Beethoven Symphony No 2 £2.30, £3.50, £4.50, £5.50, £6.50, £7.50, £8.50 — Philharmonia Ltd
Saturday 30 June 7.30 pm	BBC INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF LIGHT MUSIC BBC Concert Orchestra John McCarthy Singers Band of the Welsh Guards Heinz Geese (cond) C. Glover, J. Savage, N. Murray, R. Docker, R. Boyle, Stars of Friday Night is Music Night. £3.60, £4.80, £6.20, £7.50, £8 (only) — BBC in assoc with the GLC
Sunday 1 July 7.30 pm	PHILHARMONIA ORCHESTRA Philharmonia Chorus Riccardo Muti (conductor) Kyung Wha Chung (violin) Brahms Violin Concerto Cherubini Coronation Mass £2.80, £4.00, £5.00, £6.00, £7.00, £8.00, £9.00 — Philharmonia Ltd
Monday 2 July 7.30 pm	ROYAL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA Antal Dorati (conductor) Robert Cohen (cello) A Tribute to Elgar 1857-1934 Elgar Overture, In the South Elgar Cello Concerto Elgar Variations on an original theme (Enigma) £2.30, £3.50, £4.50, £5.50, £6.50, £7.50, £8.50 — RPO Ltd
Tuesday 3 July 7.30 pm	GALA MIDSUMMER VIENNESE EVENING New Symphony Orchestra Introduced & conducted by Antony Hopkins The Blue Danube Dancers Prog inc J. Strauss II Ov Die Fledermaus Waltz, The Blue Danube, Schubert Symphony No 8 (Unfinished) £2.50, £3.50, £4.50, £5.50, £6.50, £7.50 — Victor Hochhauser
Wednesday 4 July 7.30 pm	FELA ANIKULAPO KUTI There will be no interval during this performance £5.00, £6.00, £7.50 — Bliss
Thursday 5 July 7.30 pm	ROYAL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA Antal Dorati (conductor) Nigel Kennedy (violin) A Tribute to Elgar 1857-1934 Elgar Violin Concerto Elgar Symphony No.2 £2.30, £3.50, £4.50, £5.50, £6.50, £7.50, £8.50 — RPO Ltd
Friday 6 July 7.30 pm	PHILHARMONIA ORCHESTRA Riccardo Muti (conductor) Yehudi Menuhin (violin) Bloch Violin Concerto Brahms Symphony No 2 £3.30, £4.50, £5.50, £6.50, £7.50, £8.50, £9.50 — Philharmonia Ltd

QUEEN ELIZABETH HALL

Saturday 23 June 7.45 pm	HANDEL OPERA ORCHESTRA Bruno Amaducci (cond) Sarah Francis (ob) Ralph Holmes (vln) Robert Aldwinckle (hpschd) Handel's Italian Contemporaries: Music for Strings inc wks by Vivaldi, Locatelli, Tartini, Geminiani, etc. £2, £3, £4, £5, £6 — Handel Opera Society
Sunday 24 June 3.00 pm	VIKTOR FRIEDMAN (piano) Rosemary Sanderson (vla) Ruth Ellis (clarinet) Beethoven 32 Vars on an Original Theme in C min; Schumann Etudes Symphoniques Op 13 Claire Polin Walum Olum (1st pf), wks by Ravel, Rachmaninov. £1.50, £2.50, £3.00, £3.50, £4.00 — Choveaux Management
Sunday 24 June 7.15 pm	THE GOLDEN SEAL (PG) 94 mins Samuel Goldwyn Jnr's production of a new exciting family film based on the novel "A River Ran Out of Eden" by James Vance Marshall. The World Wildlife Fund will benefit from this special showing. £2.50 adults, £1.50 children under 14 — GLC
Monday 25 June 7.45 pm	LAMBETH ORCHESTRA Christopher Fifield (conductor) Ralph Holmes (violin) Smetana Overture, The Kiss, Dvorak Violin Concerto Brahms Symphony No 1 £1.50, £2.00, £2.50, £3.00, £3.50 — London Borough of Lambeth
Tuesday 26 June 7.45 pm	LONDON SOLOISTS CHAMBER ORCHESTRA David Josefowitz (cond) B. Oren (pno) W. Boustany (fl) N. Daniel (ob) S. Stirling (hrn) Mozart Div. K 136, Pno Conc. K 449; Horn Conc. K 495, Bellini Ob Conc Pergolesi Flute Conc; Haydn Symphony No.44 (Trauer) £1.50, £2.50, £3.00, £4.00, £5.00 — London Soloists Chamb Orchestra
Wednesday 27 June 7.45 pm	ALBION ENSEMBLE Nicholas Kraemer (conductor) Dvorak Serenade in D minor Op.44, Mozart Serenade in B flat for thirteen wind instruments, K.361 £1.50, £2.50, £3.00, £4.00, £5.00 — Quadrivium
Thursday 28 June 7.45 pm	AURORA NATOLA-GINASTERA (cello) ALBERTO PORTUGHEIS (piano) CARLOS BONELL (guitar) Ginastera Pampeana No.2 for cello & pno; Milonga for piano, Piano Sonata No 1 Op.22; Guitar Sonata Op 45, Sonata for cello & piano £2, £3, £4, £5, £6 — International Concerts Fans
Saturday 30 June 6.00 pm	TIBET: A BUDDHIST TRILOGY (U) 240 mins Part One: A Prophecy Part Two: The Fields of Senses Part Three: Radiating the Fruit of Truth Graham Coleman's remarkable independent British documentary on Tibetan Buddhist life £3.50 — GLC/Orient Foundation
Sunday 1 July 7.15 pm	WELLS CATHEDRAL SCHOOL CHAMBER ORCHESTRA Mark Knight, Richard Hickman (conds) Mendelssohn Symph No 10; Maconchy Music for strings Milner Conc for sing orch. Op 40 (1st Ldn pf), Haydn Symphony No 83 (Hen), wk by Arensky. £1.50, £2, £2.50, £3, £3.50 — John Wright Artists & Conc Mgt
Tuesday 3 July 7.45 pm	THE BLACK CAT RHYTHM BAND An evening of music from the Twenties and Thirties inc songs by Gershwin, Cole Porter, Hoagy Carmichael, Fats Waller, Richard Rodgers and others. The audience are invited to come in 20s & 30s dress. £1.50, £2.50, £3.00, £4.00, £5.00 — Shamus-Crumhorn Music
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Friday 6 July 7.45 pm	THE ACADEMY OF LONDON Richard Stamp (cond) Sally Burgess (sop) Alexander Balanescu (vln) Elizabeth Perry (vla) Christian Blackshaw (pno) Mozart Sinfonia Concertante for vln & vla, K.364, Pno Conc. K 414 Symph No.33; Concert Aria Ch'io mi scordi di te, K.505 £2, £3, £4, £5, £6 — Academy of London

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Saturday 23 June 7.30 pm	DUNCAN RIDDELL (violin) SIMON SHEWRING (piano) Beethoven Sonata in G, Op 30 No.3, Szymanowski Three Mythes, Op 30 Janáček Sonata for violin & piano, Fauré Sonata No.1 in A, Op 13 £1.50, £2.50, £3.50 — Grapevine Concert Management
Sunday 24 June 2.45 pm	MUSICIANS FROM THE 1984 ROYAL OVER-SEAS LEAGUE MUSIC FESTIVAL Concert for prizewinners inc: Aline Brewer (harp) Bradley Evans (pno) Victor San Gorgio (pno) Damaris Wollen (cl) Sophie Renshaw (vla) William Stephenson (pno) £1.50, £2.50, £3.50 — The Royal Over-Seas League
Sunday 24 June 7.00 pm	B'NAI B'RITH MUSIC FESTIVAL Miriam Brickman (pno) Malcolm Williamson (pno) Stanley Drucker (cl) Naomi Drucker (cl) Sybil Michelow (m-cont) Bernstein Sonata for cl & pno; Ravel Chansons Hebraic, wks by Mendelssohn, Ben-Haim, Gershwin, Ronald Senator, etc. £3, £4, £5 — B'nai B'rith Music Festival
Monday 25 June 7.30 pm	PATRICIA ROZARIO (soprano) MARK TROOP (piano) Britten On this Island and songs by Falconieri, Schubert, Wolf, Fauré, Poulenc and Geoffrey Winters. £2.00, £2.50 — Kirckman Concert Society
Tuesday 26 June 7.30 pm	CARTER LARSEN (piano) Saint-Saëns Allegro appassionato, Op.70; Mendelssohn 6 Songs Without Words; Granados Allegro de concierto, Liszt/von Bülow Dante's Sonnet; Liszt Sancta Dorothea; 3 Liebesträume, Sonetto 123 del Petrarca; Prokofiev Sonata No.3. £3, £4 (only) — Helen Jennings Concert Agency
Thursday 28 June 7.30 pm	KATHRYN HARRIES (soprano) MEIRION BOWEN (piano) Women's Voices Haydn 2 Canzonets; Schubert 4 Songs; Nicholas Maw Song-cycle, The Voice of Love; Dominick Argento Song-cycle (1st Ldn pf), Schumann Song-cycle, Frauenliebe und -leben £1.50, £2.50, £3.50 — Meirion Bowen
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Saturday 30 June 7.30 pm	LINDSAY STRING QUARTET Haydn: Quartet in D Op.76 No.5; Saint-Saëns: Quartet No.1 in E min Op.112; Mozart: Quartet No.19 in C K.465 "Dissonance". £3.50, £3, £2.50, £1.80 — French Series
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Monday 23rd 7.15 pm	ALL BACH programme: Concerto for Solo harpsichord & strings; Sonata in C minor for violin & harpsichord; Chromatic Fantasia for clavichord, Prelude & Fugue for violin unaccompanied; Preludes & Fugues for clavichord from "The 48" Bk1; Sonata for two violins, cello and harpsichord; Sonata for viola da gamba & harpsichord; Concerto in F for two recorders, solo harpsichord & strings.
Wednesday 25th 7.15 pm	Dowland: Songs to the lute; Ferrabosco: The "Four-Note Pavan" for five viols; Jenkins: Suite for two treble & two bass viols to the organ; Saralach MS: Lute Solos; Lawes: Pavan for four viols; Morley: 5 dances for lute, recorder & two viols; Nicholson: "The Jew's Dance".

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Thursday 28 June 7.30 pm	THE ACADEMY OF ANCIENT MUSIC. Christopher Hogwood director. Micaela Comberti, Christopher Hirons, Monica Huggett, Catherine Mackintosh, Simon Standage, violins. J. S. Bach: Concerto for violin, BWV.1052; Toccata & fugue, BWV.565; Concerto for 3 violins, BWV 1064 Vivaldi: The Four Seasons. £6.50, £5.50, £4.50, £3.50, £2.50
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Friday 6 July 7.30 pm	LA SPIRITATA CHAMBER ORCHESTRA. David Ward conductor/piano. Lynne Dawson soprano. Elspeth Cowey & Michael Thomas violins. Helen Clarke & Timothy Watts oboes. Vivaldi: 2 Double Concerti. Mozart: 2 Concert Arias; Piano Concerto, K.450, 'Jupiter' Symphony. £4, £3, £2

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Friday June 29 7.45pm	ENGLISH CHAMBER ORCHESTRA. Sir Alexander Gibson (cond) Oscar Shumsky (violin). Schubert: Symphony No 8 in B minor, D759 'Unfinished'. Mendelssohn: Violin Concerto in E minor, Op 64. Spohr: Violin concerto No 8 in A minor, Op 47. Schubert: Symphony No 5 in B flat, D485. £7, £6, £5, £3.50, £2.50
Saturday June 30 7.45pm	LONDON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA. Alun Francis (cond) Andrew Haigh (piano). Rossini: Overture 'The Barber of Seville'. Vaughan Williams: Fantasia on 'Greensleeves'. Rachmaninov: Piano Concerto No 2 in C minor, Op 18. Beethoven: Overture 'Egmont'; Symphony No 5 in C minor Op 67. £8, £7, £6, £5, £4 Victor Hochhauser
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Wednesday July 4 7.45pm	ENGLISH CHAMBER ORCHESTRA. Jeffrey Tate (cond). Frank Peter Zimmermann (violin). Robert Cohen (cello). Wolfgang Manz (piano). Vaughan Williams: Fantasia on a theme by Thomas Tallis. Dvořák: Legends Nos 1-5. Beethoven: Triple Concerto. £7, £6, £5, £3.50, £2.50
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Friday July 6 7.45pm	ENGLISH CHAMBER ORCHESTRA. Jeffrey Tate (cond). Dylana Jenson (violin). Elgar: Introduction and Allegro for Strings. Dvořák: Legends Nos 6-10. Beethoven: Violin Concerto. £7, £6, £5, £3.50, £2.50

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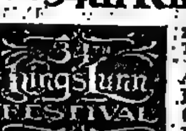
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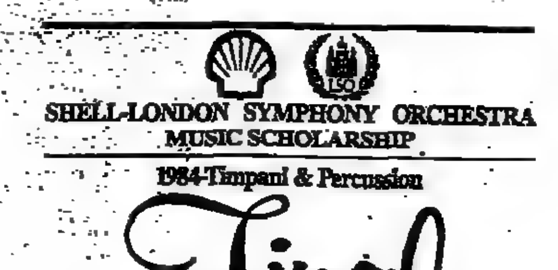
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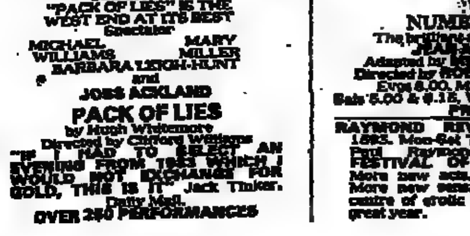
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False witness: Kevin J. Wilson as the photographer Alfred Burton in Michael Black's Pictures

Tip of New Zealand's boom

Look up New Zealand in the index to any history of the cinema and the chances are that it will not be mentioned. But in another year or so the New Zealand film industry could be having the same impact internationally as its neighbour Australia.

To take quantity first. New Zealand currently has 13 films in production, which may not sound many until one considers that the population is only three million. A comparable output from British studios would be 250 films.

As for quality, the few New Zealand films that have had an airing outside their own shores suggest that there is plenty of promising young talent ready to make its mark. It is significant that this year, for the first time, there was an official New Zealand entry at the Cannes film festival.

In Britain the opportunities for seeing New Zealand films have been very few, unless you happen to be a member of the National Film Theatre. But this is being rectified on television from tomorrow, when BBC2 starts its first season on New Zealand movies.

Five films are being shown, the oldest, *Solo*, made in 1977, and the most recent, *Among the Cinders*, released only last year. It would be unrealistic to expect a succession of masterpieces: what can be guaranteed is work of skill and integrity which promises much for the future.

The season starts with Michael Black's *Pictures* (10.10-11.35pm). This film made in 1981 illuminates an episode in New Zealand history – the brutal treatment of the Maoris during the expansion of the country during the 1880s – through the different experiences of two photographer brothers. One takes his camera up to the battlefront and brings back a series of realistic, unflattering pictures which the authorities forbid him to put on public display. The other takes only the pictures that suit the official line and is acclaimed for his achievement.

It is much to the film's credit that it does not labour the political point but lets it emerge quietly through the telling of the story, which is based on true events. An incidental pleasure is the fine location photography.

Worth watching later in the season is *Skin Deep* (1978), a first feature by Geoff Steven about an entrepreneur's attempt to liven up a quiet provincial town by starting a health club and importing an attractive masseuse to run it. She intends to do no more than a strict professional job, but the men hope, and their wives fear, that her services will extend further. Like *Pictures*, the film builds incident and character gradually; and it is all the more effective for resisting the temptation to milk its theme for easy laughs.

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Also recommended

Cloak and Dagger (1946): Little-seen Fritz Lang spy thriller with Gary Cooper rescuing a nuclear scientist held captive by the Nazis (Channel 4, today, 2.35-4.35pm).

High Sierra (1941): Classic Raoul Walsh gangster piece with Humphrey Bogart as a killer on the run hiding in the mountains with girlfriend Ida Lupino (BBC1, tomorrow, 2.15-3.30pm).

Grand Hotel (1932): Greta Garbo as a Russian ballerina who checks in at a Berlin hotel and bumps into John and Lionel Barrymore, Joan Crawford and Wallace Beery (Channel 4, tomorrow, 10.20-12.25am).

Sweet Bird of Youth (1961): Strong adaptation by Richard Brooks of the Tennessee Williams play, with Paul Newman as a Hollywood gigolo returning to his home town with fading actress Geraldine Page (BBC2, Thurs, 9-10.55pm).

Programme choice

THE LEVIN INTERVIEWS: Bernard Levin starts a fifth series of gently probing interviews with the famous by talking to the inventor and entrepreneur Sir Clive Sinclair. Among Sir Clive's predictions is that by the end of the century it will be possible to make a machine as complex as the human brain. Levin's future guests will include Alan Ayckbourn, Dame Elisabeth Frink and Vladimir Ashkenazy.
BBC2, tomorrow, 9.10-9.40pm.

OMNIBUS: The arts programme returns with a portrait of George Abbott, aged 96, the Broadway producer, director and writer, who has been in London for the revival of *On Your Toes*, the Rodgers and Hart musical he first staged in 1936. There is also a film about the fragment of a "lost" 1768 Mass written by Joseph Haydn and discovered among a bundle of old family documents in Northern Ireland.
BBC1, tomorrow, 10.10-11pm.

ROUND AND ROUND: A new comedy series by John Fortune which follows the life of Maureen, from her first love as a 16-year-old, through marriage, children and divorce and the search for love again at the age of 30. She is played by Bernadette Shortt, the Dublin-born National Theatre actress, with Dave King and Eileen Kennally as her parents.
BBC2, Mon, 9.25-9.55pm.

THE BRIEF: A 13-part thriller series by Ray Jenkins in which Ray Lonnen plays a barrister who flies to West Germany to defend a British soldier accused of defecting to the east and becomes unwittingly involved in international power politics. Sabine Postel is his German mistress, Isobel Black the wife who is drawn into the peace movement.
All ITV regions. Tues, 9-10pm.

WE ARE NOT ASHAMED: *The Real Lives* documentary looks at the gathering for Easter of 4,000 members of Britain's biggest black church, the New Testament Church of God, after three days of worship and gospel singing in Leicester. There is also a glimpse of the lives of young church members, which are governed by strict rules forbidding smoking, drinking and girlfriends or boyfriends.
BBC1, Tues, 9.25-10.10pm

CAN YOU AVOID CANCER?: New series which tries to dispel some of the myths about the second biggest cause of death in this country and concentrates on possible ways of preventing it. Some of the clues may be provided by the Mormons, who suffer from one-third less cancer than non Mormons and also smoke less, drink less and grow more of their own food. The presenter is Dr Michael O'Donnell.
BBC1, Thurs, 11.20-11.45pm

WOMEN OF OUR CENTURY: The sprightly Dora Russell, aged 89, looks back over her marriage to Bertrand Russell and her often controversial involvement in campaigns for women's rights, birth control and world peace; the interviewer is Bel Mooney. Among those featured in future programmes are Naomi Mitchison, Dame Flora Robson and Baroness Wootton of Abinger.
BBC2, Fri, 925-10.05pm

OPERA

ROYAL OPERA
Covent Garden (240 1066). Mon and June 30 7.30pm
Last two performances of Ronald Eyre's glowing and affectionate production of Falstaff, Verdi's last opera, before the company takes off for Los Angeles and the Olympics Arts Festival. Colin Davis conducts a cast led, outstandingly, by Rolando Panerai, with Anne Howells as Mistress Page, Marie McLaughlin as Nanetta, and Thomas Allen as Ford.

GLYNDEBOURNE
Glyndebourne, Lewes, East Sussex (0273 812411)
Raymond Leppard's unashamedly lush edition and direction of *Poppea*, with Peter Hall's comparatively discreet production, is still going strong, with Maria Ewing in the title role and Dennis Bailey as Nerone. As with Glyndebourne's revival of *Così fan tutte*, conducted by Gustave Kuhn, tomorrow and next Sat, all seats are sold, though it is always worth ringing to inquire about returns.

MORLEY OPERA
Bloomsbury Theatre, Gordon Street, London WC1 (387 9629). Tonight, Mon, Tues, Wed 7.30pm
Tchaikovsky's favourite but seldom performed opera, *The Tsarina's Shoes*, was given such a successful new production last month by Morley Opera that further performances are now on offer this week. David Shaw conducts a vigorous and enthusiastic cast in Andrew Downie's homespun yet bewitching toy-theatre production of Gogol's fantastical folktale.



Farewell: Christopher Gillett in The Gondoliers at Sadler's Wells

NEW SADLER'S WELLS
Rosebery Avenue, London WC1 (278 8916). Mon-Fri 7.30pm; Sats 2.30 and 7.30pm.
Following their success of their winter *Mikado*, the company's Gilbert and Sullivan summer season is now well under way, centring around a new production of *HMS Pinafore*. This afternoon and tonight, two last performances of *The Gondoliers* with John Fryatt as the Duke of Plaza-Toro and Marilyn Hill Smith as Gianetta. *Mikado* itself, as popular as ever, takes to the stage on Tues and Fri.

OPERA NORTH
Theatre Royal, York (0904 23568). Thurs, Fri 7.30pm
New production of *The Threepenny Opera*, the Brecht/Weill recreation of *The Beggar's Opera*, opens at the York Festival before travelling on next week to Nottingham. John Pryce-Jones conducts a strong cast of young singer-actors with Eiddwen Harrhy as Jenny, Beverley Mills as Polly, Peter Savidge as Macheath and Goffrey Dolton as the narrator.

WELSH NATIONAL OPERA
Astra Cinema, Llandudno (0492 79834). Tues-Sat 7.30pm
Just one more opportunity, on Thurs, to see a memorable production of *Jenufa* from Welsh National Opera's Janacek cycle, directed by Richard Pountney and conducted by Richard Armstrong. Kate Flowers takes the title role, with Phyllis Cannan as the Kostelnicka and Richard Morton as Steva. Also in repertory this week is *La Bohème*, Tues and Fri, with Helen Field and John Fowler, and *La Traviata* on Wed and next Sat with a last chance to see American soprano June Anderson's fine Violetta.

DANCE

DANCE ON 4
Channel 4 television. Wed at 9pm
New york City Ballet opens a five-week season of dance on Shannel 4, each Wed until July 25. Two contrasted works by Balanchine make up this programme: his tribute to Gershwin and Broadway *Who Cares?*, and the beautiful, mysterious *Mozartiana* starring Suzanne Farrell.

DUTCH NATIONAL BALLET
Coliseum (836 3161). Today at 2.30pm and 7.30pm
Last day of the festival of works by Hans van Manen: the programme has four of his *Piano Variations* (music by Prokofiev, Satie, Debussy), the solo *Portrait* (more Satie) and the dramatic confrontations of *Situation* to a tape of contrasting noises.

ANTON DOLIN GALA
Covent Garden (240 1066). Tomorrow at 7.15pm
Many British and international stars are taking part in a programme organized by Alicia Markova and Nadia Nerina to honour the first British male ballet star.

NORTHERN BALLET
Nottingham, Royal (0602 472328). Today at 2.15pm and 7.30pm
Not much chance of getting in to see Rudolf Nureyev and Evelyne Desutter as guests in *The Sleeping Beauty* tonight, but the company's regular dancers at the matinée are worth seeing.

BALLET RAMBERT
Bristol, Royal (0272 24388). Today at 4 pm and 7.45pm
The company's tour ends with two performances of a programme containing Ashton's *Capriol Suite* and *Five Brahms Waltzes*, Christopher Bruce's *Intimate Pages* to Janaček's music, and the Bridget Riley/Robert North *Colour Moves*.

JANET SMITH
Southampton, Nuffield (0703 555028). Tues, Wed, Fri at 7.30pm, June 30 at 2.30pm and 7.30pm
Janet Smith's L. S. Lowry-inspired *Another Man Drowning*, sad and funny, is given on Tues and Wed with recent productions to music by Tchaikovsky and the Andrews Sisters. The A. A. Milne ballet *Enchanted Places* is given on Fri and June 30.

Television: Peter Waymark; Opera: Hilary Finch; Dance: John Percival

THE WEEK

Auctions

TRIBAL TREASURES: Strange Celtic stone heads turn up in Yorkshire from time to time, and at first glance a stone figure in Christie's sale of tribal art might have been one of them. Although mysteriously found in Yorkshire it in fact originated on Easter Island in the Pacific and could make about £1,200. The star of the sale is likely to be an elegant (if uncomfortable) Shankadi wood headrest from the Congo basin, which could make £80,000.
Christies's, 8 King Street, St James's, London SW1 (839 9060). Viewing Sun noon-4pm. Sale Mon 2.30pm.

KING OF CATS: One of the fastest-growing reputations among contemporary painters is that of the mysterious Balthus, whose first erotic and scandal-provoking exhibition in 1934 made him avoid publicity until recently. His image of himself at the age of 27, entitled "A Portrait of HM The King of Cats", is a mixture of haughtiness, irony and reticence. The painting, which may well fetch £300,000, is one of the most important in a week of Impressionist and Modern sales at Sotheby's and Christie's.
Sotheby's, 34-35 New Bond Street, London W1 (493 8080). Viewing Sun noon-4.30pm. Sale Tues 7pm.

FRUITS OF CIVILIZATION: You can tell a lot about a man by what he accumulates, and the collection of the late Lord Clark was remarkably eclectic. The first part of his sale includes a Nymphenburg porcelain pagoda figure, a drawing of Lizzie Siddal by Rossetti and a number of works in various media by Henry Moore. More, including Old Master paintings and a Turner that could make £3m, will follow in two further sessions next week.
Sotheby's, 24-25 New Bond Street, London W1 (493 8080). Viewing Sun, Mon, Tues noon-4.30pm. Sale Wed 2.30pm.

VICTORIAN FOCUS: A valuable hoard of photographs taken in the 1860s by pioneer photograher, Gertrude Elizabeth Rogers, is in a Phillips photographica sale.
Phillips, Blenheim Street, London W1 (629 6602). Viewing Tues 9am-5pm, morning of sale until 11am. Sale Wed noon.

BIZARRE BUYS: A sale devoted to Art Nouveau, Art Deco and Doulton wares certainly allows collectors of eccentric and fanciful shapes their heads. Almost nothing is quite what it seems. It is fitting that much of the pottery and porcelain, notably the work of Clarice Cliff, is technically known as "bizarre"
Christie's South Kensington, 85 Old Brompton Road, London SW7 (581 2231). Viewing Thurs 9am-4.30pm, Fri 9am-noon. Sale Fri 2pm.

Festivals

LUDLOW FESTIVAL: To celebrate the festival's silver jubilee, the play chosen for its inaugural year in 1960, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, is again staged in the striking setting of the inner bailey of the medieval castle. The second drama on the programme, John Milton masque, *Comus*, has a far longer association with the Shropshire town. It was written for the local Earl of Bridgwater and first performed in 1634 at Ludlow Castle. Now 359 years later, the cast includes Michael Harbour, Zelah Clark and Sam Dale. Performances of *The Dream* tonight, Mon-Sat and July 4, 5 and 7 at 8.30 pm; matinées today, Wed, Thurs and July 3 and 4 at 2.30 pm. *Comus* on July 2, 3 and 6 at 9 pm; matinée July 7 at 2.30 pm. The festival also encompasses music, plays, lectures and films.
Festival booking office, Castle Square, Ludlow, Shropshire (0584 2150). Ends July 8.

SEVENOAKS SUMMER FESTIVAL: Aimed to bring good performance and visual arts to the local people. Highlights this year are a horn and piano concert by Barry Tuckwell and Richard Rodney Bennett (June 30), the Endymion Ensemble's chamber concert (July 3), Angela Holmes in cabaret and Donald Swann just entertaining (both July 5); the Stan Tracey Octet and the National Revue Company in cabaret (both July 6).
Festival Box Office, Claridge House, Sevenoaks School, Kent (0732 455133), 11 am-2.30 pm.

HENLEY FESTIVAL: After all the rowing, strawberries and champagne of the regatta from Wed to Sun, a concentrated four-day festival of music and arts will be held in the marquees. From July 4 to 7, three events a night include Carl Davis conducting the Wren Orchestra of London (July 4), the City of London Sinfonia giving an all-Mozart concert (July 5), Yan-Pascal Tortlier conducting Jill Gomez and the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra (July 6) and, for the finale, the Band of the Coldstream Guards and fireworks (July 7).
Henley Festival Office, Leander Club, Henley-on-Thames, Oxfordshire (0491 575834/575751).

Other festivals include: **York Festival and Mystery Plays**, Festival Booking Office, 1 Museum Street, York (0904 25536/26421), ends July 2; **Almeida Festival**, central booking at Almeida Theatre, Almeida Street, London N1 (226 4404), ends July 8; **3 Spires Festival** (this year at Truro), Festival Booking Office, SPCK Bookshop), Quay Street, Truro (0872 72771), ends June 30.


Top cat: Balthus self-portrait, at Sotheby's (see Auctions).

Sport

OLYMPIC WARM-UP: The 18-year-old South African born Zola Budd wins her first international vest when she runs for England this afternoon in the match against Yugoslavia, Wales and Scotland in Birmingham. Her race is the 1500 metres, while at the same meeting two more Olympic hopes, Wendy Sly and Jane Furniss, are taking part in an invitation 3000 metres. Meanwhile at Crystal Palace, top names like Ovett, Coe and Cram are due to compete in the AAA Championships.
Both meetings are covered in *Grandstand*, BBBC1, from 3.10pm.

INTERNATIONAL FOOTBALL: The European Championship is coming to its climax, with the semi-finals today and tomorrow, and the final on Wed. Highlights of today's match between France and Portugal are on BBC1, 10.50-11.30pm, while tomorrow's game between Spain and Denmark is also on BBC1, 11-11.45pm. The whole of the final comes live from Paris, BBC1, 6.40-9pm, when the commentary team is augmented by the England manager Bobby Robson.

DETROIT GRAND PRIX: The motor racing World Championship reaches its half-way stage tomorrow on the bumpy street circuit of Detroit which may give hope to the non-turbo cars: a Tyrrell won here last year. In spite of Nelson Piquet's win in Montreal, Alain Prost is still well out in front, with 32½ points to Niki Lauda's 24 and Ren Arnoux's 16½.
Highlights on BBC2, 11.45pm-12.25am.

QUIET PLEASE: John McEnroe, the defending champion and top seed, opens the 1984 Wimbledon tournament on the Centre Court on Monday afternoon. His main challenge is likely to come from Ivan Lendl; his conqueror in Paris and the second seed, and his old sparring partner, Jimmy Connors. Martina Navratilova starts the defence on her ladies' title on Tues. Dan Maskell, who has not missed a day's play at Wimbledon since 1927, leads the BBC commentary team which will be in action each day from 1.45pm

STICKY WICKET: David Gower leads his England team into the second Test against the West Indies at Lord's on Thurs hoping – to do somewhat better that the innings and 180 runs defeat suffered at Edgbaston. But those adopted Somerset men, Viv Richards and Joel Garner, may simply be too good again.
Television coverage starts on BBC1 at 10.55am, while the Test Match Special team will be giving ball-by-ball coverage on Radio 3 medium wave.

Radio

THE POLITICS OF THE THRILLER: An investigation by Owen Dudley Edwards into how British thriller writers, whose main purpose was to entertain, have uncannily reflected the political attitudes of their times.
Radio 4, today, 3.30-4pm.

UNMAN WITTERING AND ZIGO: The Giles Cooper season continues with a new production of his most famous radio play, about the terrifying events which follow when a young and untried master arrives to confront the fifth form of a public school.
Radio 4, tomorrow, 2.30-3.45pm. Another Cooper play, *All the Way Home*, is on Radio 4, Wed, 3.02-3.47pm.

Other events

FESTIVAL OF GARDENING: More than 50 exhibitors, including gold medal winners from Chelsea, are taking part in the second annual festival of gardening at Hatfield House. There are also illustrated talks by gardening experts.
Hatfield House, Hertfordshire (Hatfield 62823). Today 10am-6pm, tomorrow 10am-5pm. Adults £2, children under 15 £1.30.

ACROBATIC ARTISTRY: the Chinese Acrobatic Company – an ensemble of 60 artists, including acrobats, jugglers, tightrope walkers, trick cyclists and clowns – start a two-week season in London, where they last performed, to considerable acclaim, three years ago.
London Coliseum, St Martin's Lane, London WC2 (836 3161). June 25-July 7. Mon-Sat 7.30pm: matinees Weds and Sats, 2.30pm.

CELLULOID OLYMPICS: As an appetite-whetter for th Olympic Games, which opens in Los Angeles on July 28, the National Film Archive has put together a programme of film dating back to the early years of the century.
It is being presented at the National Film Theatre, South Bank, London SE1 (928 3232) on Mon, 6pm. Later that evening there is a showing of Kon Ichikawa's *Tokyo Olympiad* (8.35pm).

MERIDIAN DAY: A celebration, attended by the Duke of Edinburgh, to mark the centenary of the adoption of the Greenwich meridian as prime meridian. There is a programme of activities for schoolchildren.
Tues, Greenwich Park, London SE10; National Maritime Museum, Park Row, London SE10 (858 4422).

FILMS

A quiet classic for the buffs

Sunday in the country in the summer of 1912: birds chirrup, wasps buzz, children chatter, while a septuagenarian painter of the academic sort muses philosophically on his assembled family and passing life. This is the setting for Bertrand Tavernier's new film, called, inevitably, *Sunday in the Country* and recently awarded the Best Director prize at the Cannes Film Festival.

Its choice as an official French competition entry could hardly have been bettered. For Tavernier – like many French directors a raging film buff – pursues the classic goals of French quality cinema: limpid simplicity, clear-cut humanism and extreme good manners. He also plays the *hommage* game to perfection here, drawing inspiration from the late, melancholic chamber music of Gabriel Fauré (eloquently featured on the soundtrack), the pastoral films of Jean Renoir and the mood of Impressionist paintings.

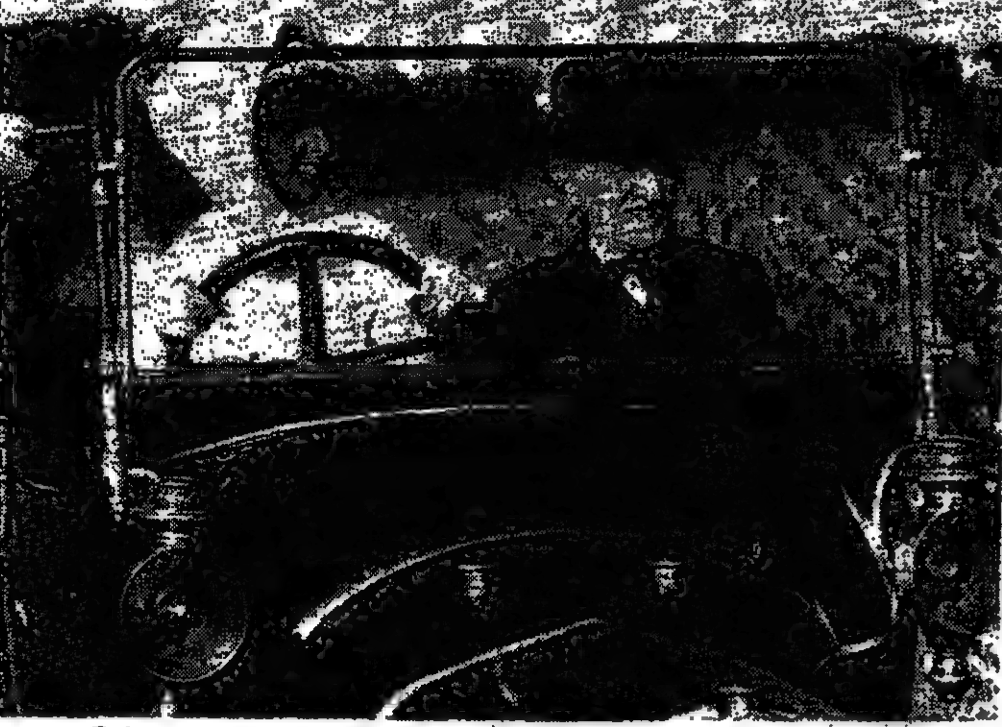
For source material Tavernier drew on a short novel of 1945 by Pierre Bost, best known for his script collaborations with Jean Aurenche on a string of cinema classics *(Le Diable au Corps, Les Jeux Interdits)*; the pair also wrote Tavernier's first feature in 1973, *The Watchmaker of St Paul's*, from Simenon's novel about a father's anguish over his criminal son. Tavernier's subsequent films are an eclectic bunch: they include a colonial adventure set in French West Africa *(Clean Slate)*, a futuristic thriller with Glasgow locations *(Death Watch)* and a mood piece set, like *The Watchmaker*, in his home town Lyons *(Une Semaine de Vacances)*.

But the director sees shared themes linking his work to Bost's novel: "The character of the father is very much present in my films. And I like the themes of anxiety over time going by and the moments of happiness that one wants to hold on to. I'm very sensitive to the anxiety of a person who reflects on his life's work and questions its value, the love of life that makes Monsieur Ladmiral tell his daughter: 'Stay young'."

To play Ladmiral, the anxious painter, Tavernier chose Louis Ducreux, aged 73, making his cinema debut after a prestigious career as a stage actor and director. For the exuberant, youthful daughter Irène, he chose Sabine Azéma, a rising star recently seen in Resnais's *La Vie est un Roman*. But this is preeminently a film of ensemble effects: it is hard to isolate performers from the gliding camera movements, the country-house decor or the beautiful photography.

Geoff Brown

Sunday in the Country (PG) opens London on Thurs at the Chelsea Cinema, King's Road, London SW3 (351 3742).


Father and daughter: Sabine Azéma and Louis Ducreux in Sunday in the Country

Openings

ONE DEADLY SUMMER (18): Meticulous French thriller adapted by Sébastien Japrisot from his own best-selling novel about a neurotic girl in Provence obsessed with avenging the rape of her mother. With Isabelle Adjani, Alain Souchon and Suzanne Flon; directed by Jean Becker.
From Fri at the Premiere Shaftesbury Avenue (734 5414).

SPLASH (PG): The saucy comic tale of a Cape Cod mermaid and a lovelorn New Yorker, neatly directed by former actor Ron Howard and produced by Disney's new Touchstone company (dedicated to films of more than kiddie appeal). With Tom Hanks, Daryl Hannah, John Candy.
From Fri at the Odeon Leicester Square (930 6111).

REUBEN, REUBEN (15): Tom Conti stars as the alcoholic, womanizing Scottish poet Gowan McGland, staggering through the American lecture circuit; the title character is a sheepdog. Wittily written by veteran Julius J. Epstein from a novel by Peter DeVries; directed by Robert Ellis Miller.
From Fri at the Warner West End (439 0791), Screen on the Hill (435 3366), Odeon Kensington (602 6644).

Selected

RUE CASES-NEGRES (PG)
Chelsea Cinema (351 3742)
Few current films offer as much human warmth as this captivating first feature by the West Indian director Euzhan Palcy, describing the life of sugar plantation workers in a Martinique shanty town.

SANS SOLEIL
ICA Cinema (930 3647)
Chris Marker's highly personal travel film offers an astonishing, uplifting kaleidoscope of Japanese and African snapshots, bizarre anecdotes and assorted information about earthquakes, cat temples and Hitchcock's *Vertigo*. The editing is dazzling; but what matters most is the film-maker's zest for life and affection for mankind's follies.

TO OUR LOVES (15)
Camden Plaza (485 2443)
Brilliant, uncomfortable film from Maurice Pialat, acutely exploring emotional deprivation and the pincer grip of family life. Unknown actress Sandrine Bonnaire plays the teenage heroine with stark, painful, natural ease; Pialat himself appears as her surly father.

SWANN IN LOVE (18)
Lumiere (836 0691)
Schlöndorff's film merely dips into Proust's novel sequence, but therein lies its success. Swann's infatuation with the beautiful but dubious Odette is conveyed with clarity, calm, exquisite photography, and a central performance from Jeremy Irons that expertly captures the melancholic elegance of Proust's bohemian Jew.

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THEATRE

Cambridge and the after-life

The partnership of Simon Gray as author and Harold Pinter as director has yielded a run of important and successful plays over the years. They join now for a sixth time in a production of Gray's new play, *The Common Pursuit*, to be presented at the Lyric Theatre, Hammersmith, next week.

In the past they have collaborated on *Butley*, *Otherwise Engaged*, *The Rear Column*, *Close of Play* and *Quartermaine's Terms*, which was produced three years ago.

In this new comedy, Simon Gray presents a portrait of a group of people who gather at Cambridge in the early 1960s with the intention of establishing themselves as critics and poets by setting up a new literary magazine. The play follows the fortunes of this group through their personal and professional lives during a 20-year period.

The varied members of the group are Stuart (Nicholas le Provost), whose refusal to compromise on excellence earns him the tag of elitist; Martin (Ian Ogilvy), a cat lover who has enough emotional and financial resources to indulge the obsessions of his friends; Humphry (Clive Francis), the acid academic and possibly the only true literary talent, whose passion is eventually crushed by his intellect; Peter (Simon Williams) whose ordered mind is at odds with his haphazard domestic life; Nick (Robert East), who becomes a chain-smoking media personality; and Marigold (Nina Thomas), who is the focus for the emotions of all five of her male contemporaries.

Its theme sounds similar to that of Frederick Raphael's *Glittering Prizes*. "I did not see it. But I should not think there is much similarity", Simon Gray says.

Cryptically, asked about the play, he says it it is about what it is about, adding more helpfully that it concerns friendships and literary manners. He tends to be cautious in describing his work, remembering perhaps the rough treatment of his thriller *Stage Struck*.

After James Fenton in *The Sunday Times* had mauled the play and its author, claiming that Gray had committed public suicide, the author wrote back suggesting a private performance for Fenton after which he would personally appeal for resurrection. "I shall of course furnish him with a summary of the plot, to help him get it right."

In the light of that, it is perhaps unwise to muse further on *The Common Pursuit*. Mr Gray said that with *Stage Struck* he had known "very early on" that the play in the West End was doomed.

That explains why he is happy that *The Common Pursuit* is to open at the Lyric, where "we can show the play off and can concentrate on getting the production right without the threat of doom hanging over us". If all goes well, of course, it could transfer to the West End.

He enjoys working with Pinter, and says that if there had ever been any difficulties in working with another playwright they should be resolved by now.

Christopher Warman

The Common Pursuit, Lyric, Hammersmith (741 2311). Previews Thurs, Fri June 30, July 2 at 7.45pm. Opening July 3 at 7pm. Thereafter Mon-Sat at 7.45pm, matinées Thurs at 2.30pm and Sat at 4pm. Ends Aug 11.

Alastair Muir

Direct involvement: Harold Pinter rebearses Nina Thomas in Simon Gray's The Common Pursuit

Openings

CAROUSEL: Steven Pimlott directs a new production of the Rodgers and Hammerstein musical. Michael Feast, Janet Dibley, Tracie Bennett, Ludmilla Andrews, Richard Freeman and Jonathan Hackett head the cast, with Jeremy Sams as musical director. The first non-original musical to be presented by the Royal Exchange company, it is a major out-of-London contribution to what seems to be a British revival of interest in the stage musical.
Royal Exchange, Manchester (061 833 9833). Previews on Thurs, Fri and June 30 at 8pm and July 2 at 7.30pm; matinée preview June 30 at 4pm; opens July 3 at 7pm, then until Aug 18, Mon and Tues at 7.30pm, Wed-Sat at 8pm; matinées Wed at 2.30pm, Sat at 4pm.

MISTERO BUFFO: Dario Fo's collection of medieval Italian mystery plays, now four-handed rather than solo, and in a new English translation, is presented for the first time in London by the 1982 Theatre Company: political theatre of a broad kind.
Tricycle Theatre, 269 Kilburn High Road, London NW6 (328 8626). Opens Mon at 8pm, until June 30, Tues-Sat at 8pm.

SIX FOR GOLD: Six one-act musicals, presented as two trilogies, one English, one American, on consecutive nights, but intended to stand alone if need be. Warner Brown wrote the book and lyrics, Michael Reed the music, and Tony Craven directs. This small theatre has a good track record for musicals, the most recent of which to reach the West End was *Mr Cinders*.
King's Head, 115 Upper Street, Islington, London N1 (226 1916). Previews from today at 7.45pm (dinner from 6.45pm). Mon-Sat at 7.45pm, press night July 5 (both trilogies) at 3.45pm.

Selected

GOLDEN BOY
Lyttelton (928 2252). Wed-Fri at 7.45pm; matinée Thurs at 3pm. In repertory
Clifford Odets's parable of a young boxer-musician in the New York of the Depression sacrificing art to fist and fortune is naive as well as dramatic, but Bill Bryden's powerful period production and Hayden Griffin's magnificent sets make the most of it.

KIPLING
Mermaid (236 5568). Until July 7, Mon-Sat at 7.45pm
Alec McCowen's solo performance as this complex, controversial man is not only an acting tour de force but a thought-provoking moral study.

ON YOUR TOES
Palace (437 6834). Mon-Sat at 7.45pm; matinées Thurs and Sat at 2.30pm
Natalia Makarova (who, alas, is appearing only until Sept 3, and never at matinées) brings tremendous charm and vitality to this appealing revival of the 1936 Rodgers and Hart musical, staged by the co-writer and original director, George Abbott, aged 96.

POPPIE NONGENA
Donmar Warehouse (836 1071). Until Aug 25, Mon-Sat at 8pm
This acclaimed show from black South Africa is a story of a harassed, endlessly wandering family that is both tragic and uplifting.

SAINT JOAN
Olivier (928 2252). Thurs and Fri at 7.15pm. In repertory
In Ronald Eyre's spectacular production, Shaw's great play fills epically this vast auditorium without ever quite stilling the doubts it always raises.

SERJEANT MUSGRAVE'S DANCE
Old Vic (928 7616). Ends June 30, Mon-Fri at 7.30pm, Sat at 7.45pm; matinées Wed at 2.30pm, Sat at 4pm
With the formidable help of Max Wall, Eileen Atkins and Graham Crowden among a distinguished cast, Albert Finney (doubling as director and name part) brings John Arden's brutal and enigmatic modern classic back to haunting dramatic life.

STRANGE INTERLUDE
Duke of York's (836 5122). Mon-Sat at 6pm
Triumphant, very sensitive revival of Eugene O'Neill's 1927 marathon piece (it lasts for five hours) about a young woman (Glenda Jackson), who loses her fiancé and appraises a contrasted trio of lovers, played by Edward Petherbridge, Brian Cox and James Hazeldine, in search of satisfaction as a wife and mother.

WEST SIDE STORY
Her Majesty's (930 6606). Mon-Fri at 7.30pm, Sat at 5pm and 8pm; matinées Wed at 2.30pm
Bernstein's classic 1958 musical, scrupulously and energetically revived with Jerome Robbins's original choreography.

Out of Town

BROMLEY: Churchill (460 6677). The Doctor's Dilemma by George Bernard Shaw. Until July 7, Mon-Fri at 7.45pm, Sat at 8pm; matinées Thurs at 2.30pm, Sat at 4.30pm
Peter Coe directs Patrick Cargill, Emlyn Williams, Gayle Hunnicutt, Michael Craig, Tom Baker, Colin Firth, in a revival of Shaw's comedy en route for the West End.

NEWBURY: Watermill (0635 46044). Wood Worm by Fay Weldon. Until July 7, Mon-Sat at 7.30pm; matinée June 30 at 4pm; gala (followed by a meal and dancing) July 7 at 6.30pm
British premiere run for a tale of a woman who wins the Nobel Prize for Literature, and how it affects her relationships and life.

SCARBOROUGH: Stephen Joseph Theatre in the Round (0723 370541). A Chorus of Disapproval by Alan Ayckbourn. Today at 7.45pm. In repertory
A new play in its first public run: a recently widowed man joins a local light-operatic society and soon begins an affair with a fellow-member. The production of *The Beggar's Opera* does not go according to plan. Ayckbourn directs, with Paul Todd (also in the cast) as musical director.
The Linden Tree by J.B. Priestley. Preview on Wed at 2pm, opens Wed at 7.45pm, also Thurs and Fri at 7.45pm. In repertory
A great success in 1947, but performed comparatively rarely since, this study of one family and its relationships is vintage Priestley.

SHEFFIELD: Crucible (0742 79922). Funny Girl by Jule Styne, Bob Merrill, Isobel Lennart. Until June 30, Mon-Fri at 7.30pm, Sat at 8pm; matinées Sat at 4pm
Singer Marti Caine plays Fanny Brice, Ziegfeld Follies star.

STRATFORD: Royal Shakespeare Theatre (0789 295623). The Merchant of Venice. Today at 1.30pm, Thurs at 7.30pm. In repertory
New production, directed by John Caird, with Ian McDiarmid as Shylock, Adam Bareham as Bassanio, Frances Tomelty as Portia.
Henry V. Today and Wed at 7.30pm, Thurs at 1.30pm. In repertory
Kenneth Branagh, with Bernard Horsfall, Brian Blessed, Sebastian Shaw, in a new production directed by Adrian Noble.
Richard III. Tues, Wed and Fri at 7.30pm. In repertory
Anthony Sher in the title role, with Patricia Routledge, Brian Blessed, Christopher Ravenscroft, in a new production directed by Bill Alexander.
The Other Place (0789 295623). Golden Girls by Louise Page. Mon and Tues at 7.30pm. In repertory
Premiere production of a play about five women athletes chasing four places in the national relay team at the Olympics. Barry Kyle directs Josette Simon, Kate Buffery, Cathy Tyson, Alphonsia Emmanuel and Katherine Rogers, Plus Polly James, Kenneth Branagh, George Raistrick.
A Midsummer Night's Dream. Today at 7.30pm. In repertory
Sheila Hancock directs Roger Allam, Penny Downie, David Whitaker, Philip Jackson.
Romeo and Juliet. Wed at 7.30pm. In repertory
John Caird directs Amanda Root, Simon Templeman, Polly James, Frank Middlemass, Roger Allam.
Camille by Pam Gems. Thurs at 7.30pm. In repertory
Ron Daniels directs premiere production of a reworking of Dumas's *La Dame aux Camélias*. Frances Barber, Nicholas Farrell, Alphonsia Emmanuel.


Front line: Sheila Allen in Fay Weldon's Wood Worm, at the Watermill Theatre, Newbury

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FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet

Trafalgar House is back under starters' orders

Royal Ascot's Gold Cup day usually sees newly knighted Sir Nigel Broackes and Mr Jeffrey Sterling among Mr Peter Winfield's guests in Healey & Baker's box. "We might do a deal", said one of them. Joking apart, however, the air between Trafalgar House and P & O remains electrically charged and if the antlers of the two chairmen are not locked, they remain in touching distance.

Trafalgar House, which has retained 6.7 per cent of P & O, is today technically free to renew the bid it made a year ago. Sir Nigel, in characteristically cool and languid manner, has played down the possibility of Trafalgar's returning to the fray, while at the same time admitting to keeping a close watching brief over P & O's performance. In so doing, Trafalgar is doing no less than a good shareholder with a major interest ought.

Trafalgar can also afford to wait, for a time, though clearly not forever. If its original analysis of the benefits of putting P. & O (or most of it) and Trafalgar together was sound a year agok it is no less sound today. Trafalgar's logic was powerful and persuasive and directly relevant not only to the British cruising business but, more importantly, to the future of the merchant navy.

At some stage, the two will come together, though not necessarily as one group. Within Trafalgar, Sir Nigel might be more amenable to something less than a full merger than his ambitious, hard-driving chief lieutenant, Mr Eric Parker. The breadth of their horizon ws demonstrated yesterday by their £44m bid for Comben Group, a deal which would make Trafalgar the fourth or fifth largest housbuilder in the land. As for P & O, Mr Sterling was made chairman last year to keep the company independent – a brief from which he will not willingly depart.

In a few brief months he has completed or begun moves that will radically transform P&O's balance sheet and properly equip the group to finance its operations. The sale, for £71m, of P&O's former City head office in Leadenhall Street to Union Bank of Switzerland, is almost completed and any time now, P&O Falco Inc is likely to be sold, in the United States, for some £40m. Not only will these two sales improve P&O's gearing, the disposal of Falco will also remove a potential financing burden

The immediate question mark is against P&O's interest, real and possibly about to be revived, in Nineteen Twenty-eight Investment Trust. P&O had indicated its willingness to take out 100 per cent of the equity at net asset value – a deal with more appeal to both the board and institutional holders than London & Machester Assurance's "partial" offer at 95 per cent of net asset value. L&M has the advantage of owning 29.6 per cent but there is still a good deal of manoeuvring to be done before the issue is settled.

Acquiring the trust and subsequent liquidation of its portfolio (a now fashionable alternative to a rights issue) would further strengthen P&O's cash position. But if, at the same time, Sterling Guarantee Trust were to underwrite a successful offer, Mr Sterling, wearing his SGT hat, would presumably end up with more P&O shares.

P&O is plainly leaving nothing to Trafalgar nor to chance.

Public face of private finance

Promoting private enterprise in developing countries is the vogue among aid agencies. The decision of the board of the International Finance Corporation on Thursday to double its capital to $1.3 billion (£956m) over the next five years was consistent with this trend. But how much of an act of faith is involved?

Encouraging private enterprise in the Third World is a laudable ambition. For too long the leading development agencies, not least the World Bank and its affiliates such as the IFC, have laid themselves open to the criticism that they lent heavily to the public sector, to the detriment of efficiency, competitiveness and even individual liberty.

The IFC was set up in 1956 precisely to alleviate these dangers. But the size of its operations has always trailed way behind those of the World Bank itself and of the International Development Association. It has hardly been in the public eye. The idea now is to change all that.

The capital increase will allow the IFC to provide $7.4 billion in equity and loan finance over the five years from July 1. The priorities will be energy exploration and exploitation, generating entrepreneurship in sub-Saharan Africa, and restructuring troubled Third World companies, particularly in Latin America. To these ends, $235m has been earmarked for wildcat drilling around the world, and no less than $450m for local enterprise in Africa.

In a sense, this is business as usual at the IFC, except for the increased emphasis, which is in keeping with the rethinking within the World Bank, on direct encouragement for relatively small scale private enterprise in Africa. Yet this is the problem. Can the African entrepreneurs be found, and even if they can, will companies in developed countries be prepared to go into partnership with them?

In south and south-east Asia, and even in Latin America, there is plenty of local entrepreneurship. But IFC officials admit privately that Africa is a different proposition.

It may be, of course, that a generous supply of capital from the IFC will create its own pool of enterprising African businessmen. But then to dispose of its cash the IFC will have to convince the second line western companies, whose expectations of Africa probably stop at instant nationalization, to participate.

Depending on its well-tried list of leading corporations will not be enough. It would be deeply embarrassing if, come 1989, the IFC is still desperately trying to find borrowers for the tranche earmarked for Africa.

SE rebels face performance test

Behind every rebellion lies the danger that perspectives change once rebels become part of the establishment. The struggle to gain the foothold very often takes over as the objective rather than what can be achieved once there.

The Stock Exchange rebels are at this point. They have come from nowhere in a few months to put three of their number on to the ruling Stock Exchange Council,

But this is where the hard work starts. With a mandate from the highest Exchagne poll for a decade, the three musketeers must now prove they have the ability to produce sound alternatives to those advanced so far

With a 50-plus membership, three may be insufficient for a majority, but a large number of members in the small and medium-sized firms see this as giving them a direct line to the policy makers which was so lacking when the Stock Exchange "green paper" on change was drawn up.

This trust will not be misplaced. But the alternative ideas from those who have rejected the green paper, should be trumpeted at least as loud as their election addresses.

Euro Ferries' shareholders force climbdown on perk

By Jeremy Warner

A face-saving compromise was forced on the directors of European Ferries, the Channel ferries and property group, when shareholders met yesterday to vote on a scheme to split shares into two classes – one with a cut price cross-Channel perk but no votes; and the other with votes but no fares concession.

The scheme had been proposed because of the growing administrative and revenue cost of the perk, which allows discounts of up to 50 per cent on the group's. Townsend Thorensen ferries to anyone with 300 or more shares.

Substantial alterations had to be proposed to prevent the scheme, which has already cost nearly £1m to put together, from sinking altogether after stormy meetings at the London Hilton Hotel.

A huge majority of shareholders, both in terms of numbers and size of share-holding were in favour of implementing the scheme as it stood, but the opposition of a powerful minority with holdings of between 300 and 600 shares – those most likely to use the perk – was enough to vote it out of court.

More than 25 per cent of these shareholders who lodged proxies before the meeting were against the scheme. Its adoption neede the backing of 75 per cent of their number.

Under the modified scheme proposed yesterday, full voting rights will be given to the preference class of shares which carry the Channel fares concession, but the total of such shares will be limited to 100 million.

This removes the major concern among small shareholders about losing voting rights and at the same time deprives Noramco, the big Canadian shareholders in European Ferries, of the automatic increase in voting power that would have come about under the old scheme.

Shareholders meet again on July 16 to vote on the amended proposals.

The European Ferries shareholders action group immediately claimed victory, saying that it had proposed enfranchisement of the preference shares as a way of defusing the situation at meetings last week S G Warburg, European Ferries' merchant bank.

Even so the fury of the group's huge army of passenger shareholders was still being vented on the company's self-effacing chairman, Mr Ken Siddle, well into yesterday evening.

The morning's session got off to an inauspicious start when one shareholder proposed that Mr Siddle stand down as chairman.

Mr Siddle conducted the proceedings with the patience of a saint. He was obliged to suffer the humiliation of a vote of no confidence (it was not carried) accusations of failing to be his own man, of "atrocious" handling of the meeting.

Economic index dips

A further suggestion of a slowdown in economic growth next year came from the new cyclical indicators, published yesterday. The "longer leading" index, which predicts turning points in the British economy about one year in advance, declined in May for the second month in a row.

The April decline reflected a small drop in the level of industrial optimism reported in the quarterly survey of the Confederation of British Industry. Lower share prices and higher interest rates contributed to the bigger May drop.

STOCK EXCHANGES

FT-SE 100 Index: 1033.1 down 8.5 (high: 1040.2; low: 1029.8)
FT Index: 811.7 down 7.4
FT Gilts: 78.49 down 0.31
FT All Share: N/A
Bargains: 17.016
Datastream USM Leaders Index: 102.97 down 0.70
New York: Dow Jones Industrial Average: (latest) 1125.99 down 1.24
Tokyo: Nikkei Dow Jones Index 10,153.56 down 17.18
Hongkong: Hang Seng Index 937.38 up 8.26

CURRENCIES

LONDON CLOSE
Sterling $1.3635 up 15pts
Index 79.4 unchanged
DM 3.80 unchanged
FrF 11.6450 up 1.26
Yen 321.2 up 1.25
Dollar Index 133.2 up 0.6
DM 2.7815 up 0.0020
NEW YORK LATEST
Sterling $1.3645
Dollar DM 2.7805
INTERNATIONAL
ECU £0.589919
SDR £0.757368

INTEREST RATES

Domestic rates:
Bank base rates 9, 9½
Finance houses base rate 9½
Discount market loans week fixed 8¼-79
3 month interbank 9⅞-9¾
Euro-currency rates:
3 month dollar 12⅝-12½
3 month DM 5 ⁹⁄₁₆-5⁷⁄₁₆
3 month FrF 12½-12⅜
US rates
Bank prime rate 12.50
Fed funds 11-1⅛
Treasury long bond 97⅛-97⅜

GOLD

London fixed (per ounce): am $373.00 pm $374.25 close $374.25-374.75 (£274.25-274.75)
New York (latest): $375
Krugerrand* (per coin): $385.50-387 (£282.75-283.75)
Sovereigns* (new): $88.50-89.50 (£65-65.75)
*Excludes VAT

Kleinwort to buy Grieveson

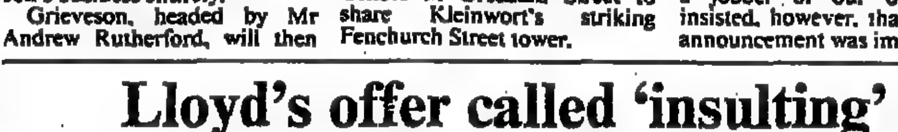
By William Kay
City Editor

Grieveson Grant, arguably Britain's biggest stockbroker, has finally climbed off the fence and thrown in its lot with Kleinwort Benson, the merchant bank. This is the latest in the series of links being forged ahead of the abolition of fixed commissions on the Stock Exchange next year.

Initially Kleinwort will take a 5 per cent interest in Grieveson's distributable profits, subject to the approval of Kleinwort shareholders at an extraordinary meeting. Then, when the Stock Exchange's rules have been formally changed, Kleinwort will acquire Grieveson's business entirely.

Grieveson, headed by Mr Andrew Rutherford, will then move from its present City Offices in Gresham Street to share Kleinwort's striking Fenchurch Street tower.





Andrew Rutherford: Presiding over Grieveson link-up

The deal is unusual in that bidders have normally wanted no more than 75 per cent of their new partners' equity, leaving the rest to be used as incentives. This suggests that Kleinwort will be offering some other form of inducement to keep hold of Grieveson's key executives.

Mr Michael Hawkes, the chairman of Kleinwort Benson, said his company was buying only 5 per cent at this stage because that was enough to show a commitment.

"We absolutely rule out linking up with a second broker," Mr Hawkes explained. "But that does not rule out buying a small jobber or starting a jobber of our own." He insisted, however, that no such announcement was imminent.

Dee raises stake in Booker

By Philip Robinson

The Department of Trade is considering ministerial action to stop Dee Corporation buying further shares in Booker McConnell. Dee's £230m bid for Booker was referred to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission yesterday morning, but it refused to give voluntary undertakings to keep the "status quo."

Instead it bought a further 6.25 million Booker shares, about 5 per cent, in the market, taking its total stake to just under 20 per cent and sending the Booker price up 16p to 172p. Dee's price closed 4p down at 491p.

A spokesman for the Dee Corporation said last night: "I am not aware that we are buying anything." However, sources close to the group confirmed that buying had been successful and an announcement was expected by noon on Monday.

The monopolies reference means that Dee's bid lapsed yesterday morning and freed it from the takeover code. However, its share-buying is covered by another set of rules which allows it just 5 per cent a week, up to a maximum of 30 per cent.

The Department of Trade has until next Thursday to take action to prevent further purchases.

Lloyd's offer called 'insulting'

By Alison Eadie

A meeting yesterday of about 400 of the 1,500 Lloyd's underwriting members of syndicates managed by Richard Beckett Underwriting Agencies (formerly PCW Underwriting Agencies and WMD Underwriting Agencies showed that several of the "names" were not satisfied with the compensation offered them.

Minet Holdings and Alexander & Alexander Services offered the names £38.17m compensation for premiums channelled abroad.

The meeting voted to set up a steering committee of 12 names to review the offer and look at alternatives. The committee holds its first meeting tomorrow evening.

Mr Jeremy Norman, one of the names elected to the committee, described the offer as "insulting, arrogant and niggardly". He objects to the lack of interest paid – the offer is equivalent to money put in by the names – and to the fact that names have to sign away their rights to sue without knowing whether they will be liable for further losses.

He also objects to the time scale pressure the names are being subjected to, which he says Lloyd's itself appears to condone. Names have to pay up their underwriting losses by mid-July which coincides with the closing of the Minet/A&AS offer.

Mr Norman said there were several names, including himself, who were not prepared to pay up their deficiencies by the due date. The question of whether to sue Lloyd's for its role in the affair will be raised at the steering committee meeting.

Court bars Fraser share sale

Three Scottish judges yesterday refused to allow 2 million House of Fraser shares, now frozen, to be sold to an Egyptian businessman, alleged to have recent close links with Lonrho. They also refused leave to appeal against their ruling to the House of Lords.

The judges at the Court of Session in Edinburgh had listened to arguments over a petition by a German merchant bank, Richard Daus and Co. of Frankfurt, to lift the restrictions imposed by the court in October 1982.

The Court of Session at the time granted an order to House of Fraser after Daus refused to identify the company that wanted to buy the shares. The order prevented any transfer of the shares – representing 1.3 per cent of the voting share capital – and removed voting rights. Several attempts were later made to have the court order lifted.

Yesterday the court was told that the Egyptian businessman, Dr Ashraf Marwan, who already held 4 million House of Fraser shares worth about £9m had an option through Max Morell (Nominees to buy the 2 million shares worth about £4m

Lord Emslie, the Lord President, sitting with Lord Cameron and Lord Stott, yesterday said: "Having considered the entire history of these shares, the court is not at all satisfied that all the relevant facts about these shares have yet been disclosed to the House of Fraser. The judge said he would go so far as to say that the court was satisfied that all the relevant facts had not been disclosed.

Debt summit thrashes out details

By Sarah Hogg,
Economics Editor

Ministers from Latin American countries spent yesterday discussing the declaration to be issued at the end of their summit meeting in Cartagena, Columbia. Although this was designed to call for easier terms for the repayment of their international debt, which for this group of 11 governments exceeds $350 billion, their representatives were still steering clear of the notion or a debtors' cartel.

Points at issue in the drafting of the Caratgena declaration included:

- A rejection of joint renegotiations of the region's debts. However, common goals had been much under discussion, particularly the notion that debt service payments could be expected to amount to 25 per cent of export earnings (today's average is as high as 65 per cent).
- A call for industrial countries to accept their share of responsibility for resolving the debt crisis, in particular by opening their markets for Latin American exports
- A general commitment to the principle of debt repayment, together with some agreement to life restrictions on the remittance of profits to encourage inward investment.
- A call for a more flexible approach to economic adjustment by the International Monetary Fund, plus longer rescheduling periods for commercial bank debt.
- A mechanism to ensure that the decision taken at Cartagena were followed through.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Airbus wins $500m Air India order

The European Airbus Consortium beat American manufacturer Boeing for an Air India order of six A310-300 airliners worth about $500m (£367m) including spares and training.

Air India's managing director, Mr Dhruba Bose, announcing the result of the intense competition, said Airbus had won performance and price.

- Associated Fisheries has reported a drop in pretax profits for the six months to March 31, from £1m to £546,000. Turnover increased to £35.6m from £33.1m. An interim dividend of 0.25) is the same as last time.

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- Burnett & Hallamshire, the coal and construction group, has reported a fall in pretax profits for the year to March 31, from £30m to £8.8m. Turnover also fell from £235.6m to £232.2m. A final dividend of 4.75p makes 8.75 for the year, the same as last time.

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- Lonhro has been named concessionaire for Seat, the Spanish car group in Britain. A new company will be set up to be known as Seat Concessionaires UK.

- US Commerce Secretary, Mr Malcolm Baldrige, said growth in durable goods orders will ease, helping to steady the pace of economic expansion.

Hill Group action ends

The High Court action in which it was alleged that a negligent report by the firm of chartered accountants Touche Ross caused the collapse of the Hill Group of building companies has been settled.

Touche Ross said the firm had agreed to pay £12,500 towards the legal costs of the four members of the Hill family, in the knowledge that three of the Hills had been granted legal aid. As a result, Touche Ross could not expect to recover the costs of successfully defending the action.

The case, which began on Monday would have otherwise been unlikely to end for many months, and the irrecoverable costs would have been any times the amount Touche Ross was now paying.

Related actions in which Barclays Bank had claimed between £4m and £5m, plus interest, from the Hills under guarantees for bank loans to group companies were also settled.

Mr Andrew Morritt, QC, for the Hills, said the settlement involved the withdrawal by the Hills of allegations made against Barclays.

Voluntary agreement under threat

EEC warns Reagan over steel curbs

From Bailey Morris, Washington

The European Community issued a sharp warning to the Reagan Administration yesterday that attempts by the American steel industry to further limit imports of foreign steel would not only disrupt its internal market, possibly resulting in more unemployment, but also rekindle diplomatic tensions.

In testimony before the US International Trade Commission, an EEC official said further limitations on European imports would make a mockery of an existing three-year agreement which limits sharply EEC imports in 10 categories of steel until December 31, next year.

Since the voluntary agreement was negotiated during a series of tense diplomatic sessions in 1982, European exports to the United States have dropped by 26.5 per cent, said Mr Claus-Dieter Ehlermann, Director General of Legal Services.

Mr Ehlermann was a leading witness at a hearing yesterday on steps the ITC will recommend to President Reagan to protect American steelmakers from imports.

In one of the biggest cases in its history, the ITC ruled last week in favour of the domestic industry which claimed in petition that imports were the cause of record unemployment and sharply reduced sales in the US steel industry.

The ITC said it found sufficient cause of injury in five categories of steel, amounting to 70 per cent of the US market, to recommend protective action to President Reagan. He must make a final determination by September 24, just five weeks before the presidential election.

Reagan: under pressure

Industrial officials said earlier they had filed the petition in spite of the objections of the Reagan administration and timed it to land on the President's desk at a time when he will be most sensitive to the concern of unemployed steel workers in big industrial states necessary to his re-election.

The ITC can recommend any one of several protectionist actions to Mr Reagan, including high tariffs, more restrictive quotas, a combination of the two or, as an alternative, adjustment assistance in the form of job training and pay to help workers made redundant.

The EEC exported $1.6 billion worth of steel to the US last year.

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Accordingly, the Board's advice now follows that given in the Circular to Stockholders dated 21st June, 1984. This was that those Stockholders who wish to realise their holding for cash should accept the LMA offer. As such Stockholders may have a liability to capital gains tax, they should obtain professional advice on their individual position before accepting. They should also be aware of the need for urgent action in view of the closing time for the LMA offer.

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★ Stockholders are likely to suffer a decrease in income.

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Mount Charlotte in £27.7m hotels deal

Mount Charlotte Investments, the Leeds-based hotels and property group, yesterday made an agreed £27.7m shares bid for Skean Dhu, which owns five luxury hotels in Scotland.

The publicly-quoted Sidlaw Group, a Dundee-based North Sea services and jute company, will receive £9.1m for its 31.4 per cent stake in Skean Dhu.

The deal is the fourth major acquisition for the rapidly-growing Mount Charlotte in the last two years.

The group forecasts pretax profits for the half year to mid-July of at least £3.4m (£1.4m) and an interim dividend of 0.46p.

Skean Dhu, with three hotels in Aberdeen, one in Glasgow and one at Prestwick made £1m profit before tax and interest in the year to April. Mount Charlotte believes it can improve profitability.

In brief

● UNITED GUARANTEE: Results for 1983, compared with previous 15 months. Turnover £14.23m (£20.07m). Operating profit £71,000 (£206,000). Total dividend 0.75p (same).

● RAND LONDON CORP: Year to March 31. Turnover R32.46m (about £18.1m), against R45.27m. Pretax loss R6.63m (R7.73m loss). No dividend (same).

● CHARTER TRUST & AGENCY: Half-year to May 31. Net earnings for ordinary capital £844,000 (£767,000). Interim payment raised from 0.46, adjusted, to 0.75p, partly to reduce disparity between payments. Present indications of income for current year remain reasonably buoyant and the board expects to pay a total dividend of not less than 2.1 – a rise of 6.3 per cent.

● STONEHILL HOLDINGS: Year to April 1. Turnover £16.06m (£15.08m). Pretax profit £386,000 (£102,000). Total dividend 3p (2p). This improvement is expected to continue in the next 12 months because of the increased market share obtained by the company's main marketing division.

● C. & W. HOLDINGS: Year to Jan. 28. Turnover £7.26m (£9.26m). Pretax profit £81,000 (loss £119,000). No dividend (same).

● BELHAVEN BREWERY: Terms have been agreed for Belhaven to acquire from Saccone and Speed and Courage, certain of their Scottish operations. The price will ber determined 16 weeks after completion. It is unlikely to be more than £600,000 (and in any event cannot be more than £1m) and will be in cash and shares.

● BRITISH STEAM SPECIALTIES has agreed to purchase from Babcock Industrial and Electrical Products the issued capitals and inter-company indebtedness of Babcock Gardner and Tourell Gardners. Price £507,914, in ordinary shares. Industrial mixing and blending equipment serving the food, chemical and pharmaceutical industries.

● S & U STORES: A pretax profit of £725,000 for the year to January 31 compared with £767,000 for the previous year was generally in line with the forecast at the half-way mark of "results similar to last year" made by S & U Stores' chairman, Mr Derek Coombs. Turnover of the group, primarily engaged in consumer credit, showed a further modest increase to £30m (£27.8m). There was a marked increase in corporation tax to £422,000 (£258,000) and after payment of the preference dividend which absorbs £8,000 (same) there is to be no dividend on the preferred ordinary and ordinary shares – the balance transferred to reserves was £295,000 (£501,000). Earnings per share are 2.38p (4.04p).

● SHERATON SECURITIES INTERNATIONAL: Sheraton has agreed to acquire Gravel Invest and Property for £2.15m, to be satisfied by the issue of 15.61 million new ordinary shares and £120,000 cash. The agreement is conditional on the approval of Sheraton shareholders and on permission being granted to deal in the new shares on the USM. Arrangements have been made with the vendors of Gravel for Sheraton's financial advisers to buy from the vendors 15.46 million of the ordinaries issued to them and will offer them to Sheraton shareholders in proportion to their holdings on a one-for-four basis at 13p each. Clabir International, which owns 15.82 million ordinaries in Sheraton (25.58 per cent) has agreed to take up its entitlement of 3.95 million shares and will also underwrite the balance of the offer.

● JOHN BOOTH & SONS (BOLTON): Turnover £11.23m (£8.97m). Pretax profit £207,000 (£88,000). Dividend 2p (1p).

● DUNDEE & LONDON INVESTMENT TRUST: Half-year to April 30. Pretax revenue £448,000 (£515,000). Interim dividend 1.5p (same).

● NASH INDUSTRIES: Half-year to March 31. Turnover £8.36m (£6.86m). Pretax profit £258,000 (£256,000). Interim payment 1.5p (same).

● ROBERT HORNE GROUP: March 31, 1984. Turnover £49,125,000 (£40,750,000). Pretax profit £2,689,000 (£1,826,000). Iterim dividend 1p (0.5p). The company reports a 20 per cent increase in sales.

● JOHN BROWN confirms that Volkskas Industries of South Africa acquired Drury Wickman from the company on April 1, 1984. Drury Wickman is a distributor of machine tools in South Africa. This is a further step in the process of John Brown withdrawing from machine tools worldwide.

LOOKERS: Six months to March 31, 1984. Turnover £72,042,000 (£70,952,000). Pretax profit £762,000 (£480,000). Interim dividend 1.5p on increased capital (1.4p). Second half has started well but the rate of increase in profit is unlikely to be as great as in first half.

WALL STREET

New York, (Reuter):-Wall Street share prices were lower in early trading as investors remained cautious about interest rates, the economy and the money supply.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which fell four points on Thursday in a mixed session, was down about 2.5 points to under 1125.

Overall, losing issues led gaining issues by five to three volume was about nine million shares in the first 15 minutes.

Telephone operating company stocks were active, with Pacific Telephone up 1⅛ to 56¾.



*Ex div. a Asked. c Ex distribution. h Bid. k Market closed. n New issue. p Stock split. t Traded. y Unquoted.

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

Some profit taking developed in the dollar during the afternoon, but overall the US currency stayed firm.

Sterling which fell below last night's record closing "low" of 1.3620 during yesterday's session was showing about 1 per cent higher at 1.3635 in mid-afternoon.

The pound was improved, although below the best, against the Deutsche Mark at 3.7945 (3.7900), but its trade weighted index reverted to an unchanged 79.4 after 79.5 at the opening.

Swiss francs eased at 2.3150 (2.30890) along with the French franc 8.5420 (8.5225) and the yen at 235.60 (234.65).

MONEY MARKETS

Discount houses were again able to take their money quite cheaply. Top rate of the day was 8¼ per cent but balances in size moved at 7¾ per cent during the morning, though the rate had crept up to 8¼ per cent again by lunchtime.

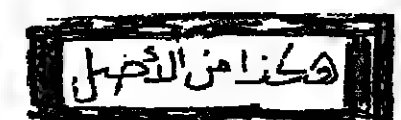
There were some erratic movements in the afternoon, but the houses were mostly cautious at following the upswings that took place in the interbank market.

Books were eventually ruled off for the day within bounds of 8¼ per cent and 7 per cent, a late decline occurring once it was seen that the authorities had successfully bought out the shortage in the afternoon.

Unit Trust Prices - change on the week

Authorized Unit Trusts

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TEMPUS

Still waiting for the boat to come home

The time must be fast approaching when Associated Fisheries seriosly considers its continued involvement in fishing. Although losses in this division for the first half were down £500,000 to £273,000, the fleet is still shrinking and operations are being reduced. Trawlers cannot generate enough income to offset onshore costs.

Fishing is still the main drag on the group's overall performance. Without swift improvement it will be difficult to justify the steady drain on resources from the division, which has not returned a trading profit since 1979.

Reassessment becomes even more critical in the light of the demands on cash flow form working capital requirements for the group as a whole. Associated Fisheries reported net interest income of £269,000. This time last year, now reversed to a net charge of £127,000.

This was one of the factors which contributed to a fall in the group's pretax profits from £1m to £546,000. The picture is distorted, however, by the end of government grants under the fishing vessels support scheme. These ended when the European fisheries policy agreement was reached, and contributed £521,000 above the line last time.

Elsewhere, the group also had problems with food processing and trading division which went into the red after a £218,000 profit last time. Fast foods struggled and could get worse as demand drops following the imposition of VAT on fish and chips.

Although other divisions performend well, there is still a great deal of uncertainty over short-term prospects. The share price reflected this with a fall of 8p to 82p.

Burnett

The most understandable part of Burnett and Hallamshire's yearly statement is that the finance director, Mr William Oakley, is leaving to take up a new appointment. After the troubles of Burnett, it can only be a bed of roses by comparison.

The pretax profit of £8.8 against £30m was between £1m and £2m below market expectations. This, as it happens, is what the management concedes has been the effect of the miners' dispute on trading between November and March. But presumably the analysts read the newspapers and had built the miners' impact into their calculations.

The fact is that the group is in a mess which will take some time to sort out, even without the doubtful assistance of Mr Arthur Scargill. The chairman, Mr Eric Grayson, is already quietly toning down the more optimistic City predictions for the present year.

On the plus side, the company expects a £2m turnround in its interest in Rand London Corporation, the South African mining business, and Mr Grayson hopes to sell $15m (£11m) of Californian properties this year. That should start to wind down Burnett's $63m exposure in what the company's supporters will wish is the beginning of the end of the West Coast adventure.

Mr Grayson says that the group's future lies in mining, even though the contribution from petrol stations should double to about £1.2m this year. He is firmly on the side of Mr MacGregor in the miners' strike, but meanwhile the effect on the group could be painful and unpredictable in the ensuing months. Burnett should be able to make £11m this year, but if Mr Scargill is still on the picket lines all bets are off.

Either way, it cannot be a bad time for the board to launch employee share option schemes. At 145p, the shares yeild 8.6 per cent. If the worst is indeed over, it could be time to buy.

S & U Stores

S & U Stores of Birmingham is disappointed by taxable profits down 5.5 per cent at £725,000 on turnover 8 per cent ahead. Buoyant consumer spending and growth in demand for credit seem to have passed it by.

The consumer credit side, which accounts for 90 per cent of turnover, showed only slight expansion with TV rental business notching up the fastest growth rate. S & U apparently wins customers through the old-fashioned policy of collecting rental payments door-to-door.

Men's clothing manufacturing dragged profits down, with margins being squeezed on the home front. S & U intends to concentrate on the more lucrative export market to Europe (40 per cent of manufacturing turnover).

Tax has made a dire leap to £422,000 from £258,000 or 58 per cent of taxable profits, but the company does not expect a large chunk of this liability to crystallize for some years, if ever. The rise is due to growing leasing income from previous years increasing taxable profits. S & U intends to stay in the leasing business.

Again, there was no dividend on the ordinary or preferred ordinary shares. The directors still have outstanding unsecured loans of £390,000, which it seems will have to be repaid before shareholders see a dividend. The shares were unchanged at 22p.

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High Bid	Low Offer	Bid	Offer	Yield
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	Bid	Offer	Change	Yield
Gold & Prec Metals	43.9	46.8	−0.2	2.11
(Accum Units)	43.9	46.8	−0.2	2.11
Japan Perf	44.3	47.2	−0.2	0.33
(Accum Units)	44.3	47.2	−0.2	0.33
UK Mid Featrs	50.5	53.8	+0.8	0.20
(Accum Units)	50.5	53.8	+0.8	0.20
US Spec Featrs	44.9	47.8	+0.5	0.69
(Accum Units)	44.9	47.8	+0.5	0.69

Base Lending Rates

ABN Bank	9%
Barclays	9¼%
BCCI	9¼%
Citibank Savings†	9¾%
Consolidated Crds	9¼%
Continental Trust	9%
C. Hoare & Co	*9%
Lloyds Bank	9%
Midland Bank	9¼%
Nat Westminster	9%
TSB	9%
Williams & Glyn's	9¼%
Citibank NA	9¼%

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STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hawker Siddeley makes £42m bid for J. H. Fenner

By Michael Clark and Wayne Lintott

Hawker Siddeley, the aerospace company, surprised the market late yesterday by announcing a £42.8m takeover bid for J. H. Fenner (Holdings), the power-transmission engineers.

Hawker has held 16 per cent, or just over 5.4 million shares in the company for some time, and rumours about the potential bid had been circulating for a coupl of days.

Fenner's shares jumped 9p to 117p amid confusion. Some brokers knew of the terms but the jobbers did not. While that situation lasted some firms were able to make a quick killing as the Hawker terms valued the Fenner shares at 139p each.

Hawker announced that they were offering two of their shares for every nine Fenner shares plus 405p in cash. For Fenner's 3.85 per cent cumulative preference shares Hawker was offering 68p in cash.

Fenner had been suffering badly from the recent recession but had recently turned the corner with substantial improvements in export sales and some hope that domestic sales were improving.

Elsewhere, the shares of life assurers London and Manchester fell 8p to 540p on *The Times* story that Citicorp would definitely not be making a bid.

The company chief executive, Mr David Jubb, confirmed that it had not been involved in any bid talks and had not seen any evidence that there was any big buyers of the shares. "I am not sure that such a high price with a large speculative content is a good thing for a company. Frankly, I think the share price is a bit on the high side," he said.

Elsewhere, interest rates continued to dominate events. The economic news from America this week has made gloomy reading and points to a further rise in US prime rates. Share prices lost ground throughout the day on persistent selling that left the FT index 7.4 lower at 811.7

Last minute details are being worked out this weekend for the flotation of the Linguaphone Institute, the foreign language tuition expert, on Granvill's over-the-counter market. The flotation follows a management buyout from the US parent Westinghouse Brake & Signal.

Gilts were another dull market keeping a close eye on the performance of the pound against the dollar on the foreign exchange where it continued to hover dangerously near its all time low. Prices in longs fell by as much as £½, while at the shorter end the losses were restricted to £⅛. The FT Government Securities index lost 0.31 to 78.49.

Among the leaders, Marks & Spencer fell 10p to 222p, Lucas Industries 5p to 172p, Grand Metropolitan 4p to 419p and TI Group 4p to 216p. Peninsula & Oriental lost another 4p to 293p after confirmation it had sold it Leadenhall Street offices for £71m.

The world debt crisis and rising interest rates did little for the banks. Barclays fell 7p to 477p, Midland Bank 5p to 302p, while Lloyds was unchanged at 524p. Only National Westminster was able to resist the trend hardening 3p to 567p.

First time dealings in Gee-Rosen Organisation on the Unlisted Securities got off to a firm start. The 2 million shares were placed by broker Schaverien at 33p to raise £660,000. The first price quoted on the jobbers board's was 36p, but after advancing to 38p the price eventually closed at 37p

This week's other newcomer, Etam, the womenswear fashion retailer, spurted another 5p to 117p following the eventful start to dealings on Thursday. Word in the market suggests menswear retailer J. Hepworth has picked up nearly 5 per cent of the equity and may be behind the strong demand for the shares which now stand at a 22p premium.

Equity turnover on June 21, was £218.701m (13,329 bargains). The number of British and Irish stocks traded was 124.7 million. Gilt bargains totalled 3,646.

FAMILY MONEY

FAMILY MONEY MARKET

Banks
Current account – no interest paid. Deposit accounts – Midland, Barclays, Lloyds, Natwest 5¾ per cent, seven days notice required for withdrawals. National Girobank 6 per cent. Lloyds extra interest 8¾ per cent. Monthly income account Natwest 9⅛ per cent. Fixed term deposits £2,500-£25,000 – 1 month 8.0, 3 months 8.25, 6 months 8.5 per cent. Rates quoted by Barclays. Other banks may differ.

MONEY FUNDS

Fund	Flat	APR	Telephone
Aitken Hume monthly inc	8.75	9.11	01 638 6070
B of Scotland	8.65	9.00	01 628 8060
Britannia call	8.5	8.839	01 588 2777
Mallinhall call	8.15	8.41	01 499 6634
Oppenheimer Simco High interest deposit account	7.84	7.99	01 236 3887
S & P call	8.15	8.5	0708 66966
Schroder Wagg	8.35	8.68	0705 827733
" over £10,000	8.60	8.95	0705 827733
Tullet & Riley	8.15	8.32	01 236 0952
T & R 7 day	8.57	8.87	01 236 0952
Tyndall 7 day	8.5	8.77	0272 732241
Tyndall call	8.48	8.75	0272 732241
UDT 7 day	8.½	8.65	01 623 3020
Western Trust 1 month	8.31	8.63	0752 261161
Henderson Money Market Cheque Account	8.65	9.08	01 638 5757
M & G Hica	9.0	9.42	01 626 4588

National Savings Bank
Ordinary accounts – interest 6 per cent on £500 minimum on deposit for whole of 1984, otherwise 3 per cent. Investment Account – 9¼% interest paid without deduction of tax, months notice of withdrawal, maximum investment £50,000.

National Savings Certificates 27th Issue
Return totally free of income and capital gains tax, equivalent to an annual interest rate over the five-year term of 7.25 per cent, maximum investment £5,000.

National Savings Income Bond
Min investment £2,000 – max. £50,000. Interest – 10 per cent variable at six weeks notice – paid monthly without deduction of tax. Repayment at 3 or 6 months notice – check penalties.

National Savings 2nd Index-linked certificates
Maximum investment £10,000, excluding holdings of other issues. Return tax-free and linked to changes in the retail price index Supplement of 0.2 per cent per month up to October 1984 paid to new investors; existing holders receive a 2.4 per cent supplement between October 1983 and October 1984 4 per cent bonus if held full five years to maturity. Retirement Issue Certificates purchased in June 1979, £170.99 including bonus and supplement.

National Savings Deposit Bond
Minimum investment £500 max £50,000, 10 per cent variable at six weeks notice Credited annually without deduction of tax. Repayment at three months notice.

Guaranteed Income Bonds
Return paid net of basic rate tax, higher rate taxpayers may have a further liability on maturity.
2 years Canterbury Life and Capital Life 8.5 per cent, 3 years Premium Life, 8.8 per cent, 4 years Continental Life 9.25 per cent 5 years Pinnacle Insurance 9.25 per cent.

Local authority town hall bonds
Fixed term, fixed rate investments, interest quoted gross (basic rate tax deducted at source reclaimable by non-taxpayers). 1 year Leicester City 9½ per cent, 2 years Nottingham City 10¾ per cent 3 years Kingston upon Hull 11 per cent 5 years Hammersmith & Fulham 10½ per cent 6 & 7 yrs Hereford & Worcester 11 per cent 8-9 years Worthing 10½ 4 years Kingston upon Hull 11 per cent 5 years Kingston upon Hull 11 per cent 8 years Kirklees 11 per cent 9 years Kirkless 11 per cent 10 year Kirklees 11 per cent 10 Years Thameside 10½ per cent.

Further details available from Chartered institute of Public Loans Bureau (01-834 0466 and after 3pm on 01-630 7401) see also on Prestel no 24808.

Building societies
Ordinary share accounts – 6.25 per cent. Extra interest accounts usually pay 1 per cent over the ordinary share rate. Regular savings schemes – 1.25 per cent over BSA recommended ordinary share rate. Extra interest accounts, 1 to 1.25 per cent above ordinary account. Rates quoted above are those most commonly offered. Individual building societies may quote different rates. Interest on all accounts paid net of basic rate tax. Not reclaimable by non-taxpayers.

Investors in Industry
Fixed term, fixed rate investments of between 3 and 10 years, interest paid half-yearly without deduction of tax: 3 years, 10½ per cent; 4 years, 10¾ per cent; 5 years 10¾ per cent; 6 years, 11 per cent; 7-10 years 11¼ per cent. Further information from 91 Waterloo Road, London SE1 (01-928 7822).

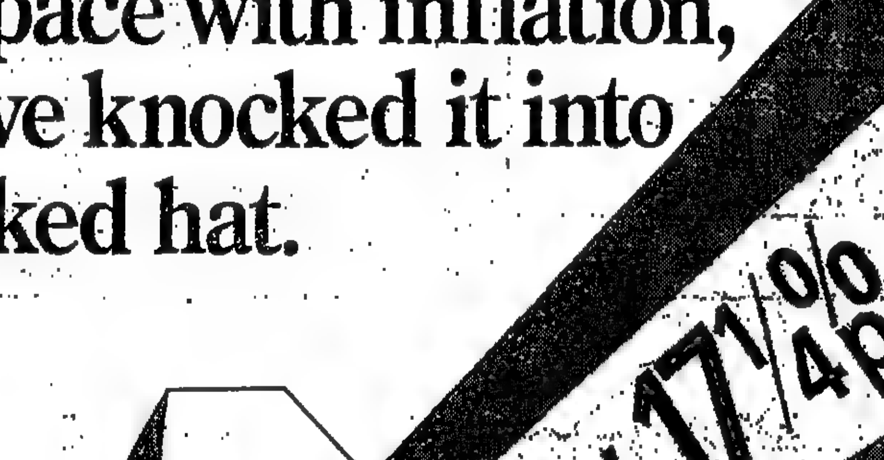
Finance house deposits (UDT)
Fixed-term, fixed-rate deposits, interest paid without deductions of tax. Five-Fifty scheme: 6 months 9¼ per cent; 1 year, 9½ per cent; 2 years, 10¼ per cent.

Foreign currency deposits
Rates quoted by Rothschild's Old Court Intl. Reserves 0481 26741 seven days notice is required for withdrawal and no charge is made for switching currencies.

Sterling	7.87 per cent
US dollar	10.22 per cent
Yen	5.09 per cent
D Mark	4.49 per cent
French Franc	11.18 per cent
Swiss Franc	2.71 per cent

April RPI: 349.7 (The new RPI figure is not announced until the third week of the following month.)

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See for yourself from the graph how successful the Investor Policy has been since its introduction 18 years ago, compared with the FT-Actuaries 'All-Share' Index.

PROGRESS OF THE INVESTOR POLICY FUND
Investor Offer Prices
FT-Actuaries 'All-Share' Index
£ 3.00 — 2.00 — 1.00
1970 — 1980
SERIES I — SERIES II — SERIES III

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Up to 35	2,783	3,619	4,226	5,495	5,668	7,370
40	2,770	3,602	4,205	5,468	5,640	7,334
45	2,755	3,583	4,183	5,439	5,611	7,296
50	2,727	3,546	4,140	5,384	5,553	7,221

For illustration purposes take the age next birthday above your present age – the benefits may actually be higher. As the figures shown are for male lives the benefits for females will be higher still.

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Occupation ________ Date of birth (and age next birthday) Max. age 50 ________

N.B. Proof of age, and a marriage certificate in the case of a married woman, will be required before a claim is paid and should, if possible, be produced with the application.

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5 Name and address of your usual doctor to whom reference may be made, if necessary ________ Postcode ________

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Signature ________
Return application through your adviser or direct to us (no stamp required)
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Name and address of your insurance broker or financial adviser, if any: ________
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SCOTTISH WIDOWS
THE INVESTOR POLICY
THIRD SERIES

FAMILY MONEY edited by Lorna Bourke

SELLING

Guarding against bouncing cheques

Selling your car? Then you will have to negotiate the difficulties associated with payment. If you accept a personal cheque make sure the money is cleared and in your account before you hand over the keys and logbook.

Some sellers demand cash because many deals are done in the evening, when banks are shut, but this can be risky for the buyer

A bankers draft is the safest solution. This is like a cheque drawn on the bank – rather than the carbuyer's personal account. It cannot be stopped and it is as good as cash. But do not leave it lying around the house as anyone can pay it into his or her account, or get cash for it.

Building society cheques are probably the most common method of payment because Building societies do not allow their customers to have an overdraft. But be careful – it is possible for a building society third-party cheque to be stopped.

"There are no legel restrictions against building societies stopping cheques but unless there is a clear case of fraud, they generally don't do it" says Mr Stewart Gowans, of the Woolwich Building Society. Curiously, car purchase was the commonest situation in which building societies were asked to stop cheques

Lorna Bourke

Pinnacle Life

In last week's article on Income Bonds we stated that some companies paid interest on their bonds *pro rata* in the event of death of the bondholder before the bond's maturity. Pinnacle Life has asked us to make it plain that they are not one of these companies.

Half-test plea

The married woman's half-test which affects only women who reached the age of 60 before April 6, 1979, should be abolished, says the Consumers' Assiciation, which has published an *Action Guide* explaining how the fight this "discriminatory age rule".

Some 200,000 women caught by this half-test are not entitled to a State pension in their own right and must wait until their husbands reach retirement age, says the Consumers' Association.

The CA goes on: "A relic of the previous State pension scheme when a woman could choose whether to pay full-rate National Insurance contributions towards her own pension or pay at a reduced rate and rely on her husband's contributions, the married women's half-test was the standard for judging whether or not a woman had maintained a 'substantial contributions record' if she had contributed to her own pension".

Abolition of the half-test would cost about £50m, according to the CA. Copies of the *Action Guide* are available free from the Consumers' Association, Castelemead, Gascoyne Way, Hereford, SG14 1LH.

Trust contest

Investment competitions are the latest gimmick for promoting almost anything you can think of and the fund managers Save & Prosper are the latest entrants into this field. As part of its 50th anniversary celebrations, Save & Prosper is running a competition on Prestel.

Competitors have to use their skill to select which of Save & Prosper's 27 unit trusts will show the best performance over the six-month period from July 2, 1984 and the price of that trust at the end of the year. If more than one person picks the correct trust and correctly estimates what the price will be, then it will be the earliest entry which will win? First prize is £250 invested in the winning unit trust. Full details of the competition appear on page 481 285 on Prestel. Closing date for entries is June 29.

Sharing in jubilee

The Catholic Building Society is launching a Jubilee Bond to celebrate its 25th anniversary. It is a two-year term share and pays 8 per cent interest net (11.43 per cent gross) to basic rate income tax payers. There is a minimum investment of £1,000 and a maximum of £30,000.

The bond can be added to during the two-year period by taking out further bond accounts for a two-year term from the date of your additional investment. Further details from Catholic Building Society, 7 Strutton Ground, London SW1P 2HY (Tel: 01-222 6736/7).



Aid for retired

Hill House Hammond is offering savings of up to 30 per cent on the cost of household insurances for retired people

For example, a householder buying cover for both buildings and home contents in a rural area with a £50,000 house and contents of £12,000 would pay a total of £93.70 compared with £76.40 if retired, a saving of more than 20 per cent.

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This scheme will be particularly attractive to people who are not tied by building society requirements to a specified insurer for buildings insurance. For those who are, cover can be arranged on contents only.

Details from Hill House Hammond Insurance Brokers, Tel: Bristol (0272) 292906.

Specialist help

The mutual life office Clerical Medical and the unit trust group Fidelity International Management are coming together to manage and market a range of unit-linked products.

New funds will be introduced with the two organizations taking th unusual step of sharing management by concentrating on their investment specialisations. For example, Clerical Medical will manage UK equities, fixed interest, property, and the mixed fund, while Fidelity will be responsible for overseas investment, particularly in America and Japan. Clerical Medical and General Life Assurance Society will underwrite life cover.

The first products of the new partnership will be launched in November and are likely to include a single premium investment bond, a maximum investment plan and a pension scheme for the self-employed. Included in the products will be several designed to mitigate capital transfer tax and to optimise effective investment for higher rate taxpayers.

Details from Clerical Medical and General Life Assurance (Tel: 0272 290566) or Fedelity International Management (Tel: 01-283 09911).

Increased offer

Rising interest rates have enabled investment advisers R J Temple to negotiate an increase in the yield on its present offer of 3-year Guaranteed Income Bonds.

The bond is now being issued with an annual income of 8.8 per cent net for a basic rate taxpayer, equivalent to 12.57 per cent per annum gross.

The income bond, which is exclusive to R J Temple, is underwritten by Premium Life Assurance Company. Minimum investment in the bond is £1,000 and there is no upper limit. Investors of £10,000 minimum have the choice of receiving monthly income payments. Further details from R J Temple and Company, Tel: Brighton (0273) 673136.

Waltham's new share

No notice no penalty shares are all the rage with building societies embroiled in hot competition for savers' money. Latest on the scene is Waltham Abbey Building Society with its Extraordinary Shares paying 7.5 per cent net of basic rate tax – 1.25 per cent above the basic ordinary share rate. There are no notice requirements and no penalties on withdrawal.

Details from: Waltham Abbey Building Society, Greenwood House, 6 Church Street, Waltham Abbey, Essex EN9 1DZ. Tel: Lea Valley (0992) 716161.

Super saving

A new Supershare account "Super 90" from Town and Country Building Society, is a 90-day notice account offering interest rate at 8 per cent net, 11.43 per cent gross for basic rate taxpayers. There is a minimum investment of £500. Interest is payable half-yearly or monthly. If interset is added to the account, the annual yield is 8.16 per cent net, 11.66 per cent gross to basic rate taxpayers. Details from Town and Country (Tel: 01-353 2438).

Mortgage deal

Home loans of up to £200,000 are available at the highly competitive rate of 10.75 per cent from Baronworth Ltd, a mortgage broker, of Gants Hill, Essex, Mr Colin Jackson of Baronworth said: "Not only will the lenders consider mortgages, but also re-mortgages for any purpose at the same rate of interest. This is a good deal for a person who wishes to borrow a larger-than-average amount who would normally be charged a higher rate." Details from Baronworth Ltd., 40 Woodford Avenue, Gants Hill, Ilford, Essex, LG2 6XG. Tel: 01-551 5557.

NATIONAL SAVINGS

Bonuses to stem the cash exodus

National Savings has announced improved terms, along with a raft of other changes to stop the flood of funds out of index-linked savings certificates.

Both issues of index-linked National Savings certificates are to receive further supplements to index linking, and a second bonus. The annual supplement for the year to November, 1985, of 3 per cent compares with the 2.4 per cent added in 1983 and 1984.

"There will be at least three further annual supplements, the size of which will be announced each summer," says National Savings. "In addition, savers who hold certificates or a full 10 years will get a second 4 per cent bonus on the tenth anniversary".

Assuming inflation at around 6 per cent over the 12 months from November 1984, investors will see a tax free return of 9 per cent.

The cash value off an £100 index-linked certificate, purchased in June 1979, is now £171.62, which works out at a tax free return of just under 10 per cent a year over the five-year term, so the new bonuses will ensure the return continues at roughly this level over 1985.

National Savings had been concerned for some time at the number of investors cashing in index-linked securities, and it was clear that something had to be done to stop the exodus. January saw a net outflow of £52m, with £50m moving out in February, rising to £66m in March but falling back to £23m in April.

The new 1985 bonus rate of 3 per cent and the carrot of a further bonus of 4 per cent at the end of the 10-year term should go some way towards checking the flood.

Small savers are being wooed too. National Savings is introducing a new Yearly Plan for investment in saving certificates. Regular savers will be able to subscribe from £20 to £100 a month by standing order to buy a Yearly Plan Savings Certificate at the end of the year.

The return, compared with the standard five-year certificates, is attractive. If a saver completes all 12 payments and then holds the Yearly Plan Certificate for four full years, the overall five-year return is 7.31 per cent taxfree, compared with 7.25 per cent offered on the existing 27th issue.

Investors will be able to buy the Yearly Plan in addition to the maximum holding of £5,000 in the 27th issue. The year-by-year return on the new Yearly Plan is 6 per cent in the first year, when you are making the monthly payments, rising to 7.5 per cent for each of the subsequent four years.

If you cash in your Yearly Plan within the first two years, you will earn 6.25 per cent, and between years two and four, the return is 6.75 per cent.

Those who continue to hold Yearly Plan certificates after the five-year term will receive the same general rate of interest as other fixed interest Savings Certificates, under the common extension terms (currently 6.84 per cent tax free). The new Yearly Plan will be on sale in Post Offices from July 2.

Terms for repayments from Income Bonds have also been improved.

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COMPENSATION

How to calculate your redundancy payment

According to the latest unemployment figures, approximately 77,000 people are made redundant in the first four months of this year. If you are unfortunate enough to encounter redundancy, how do you go about calculating the amount you are entitled to?

Redundancy payments are based on three factors: your age, your period of continuous employment with your employer and the amount you were being paid when you were made redundant (known as your "week's pay").

To be eligible for redundancy pay you must have been continuously employed for at least two years by your employer. Part-time employees have no right to redundancy pay unless they have worked at least eight hours a week for five years. Moreover, you are disqualified from claiming if you were younger than 18 or of retirement age, (65 for men, 60 for women), when you were made redundant.

Certain categories of employees are excluded from the redundancy payments scheme: these include seasonal workers, employees of the Crown, the National Health Service and civil servants. Furthermore, if you were employed on a fixed-term contract of two years or more and agreed in writing to waive any right to redundancy pay, then you are also excluded from claiming.

If you are made redundant and are not caught out by any of the above hurdles then you are entitled to a redundancy payment calculated in the following manner:

- Half a week's pay for each complete year worked between the ages of 18 and 21.
- One week's pay for each complete year worked between the ages of 22 and 40.
- One-and-a-half week's pay for each complete year worked between the ages of 41 and 64 (men) or 59 (women).

You cannot claim redundancy pay for more than 20 years' service, so if you exceed that the last 20 years are taken into account.

A week's pay is your gross pay and includes the value of any bonuses you were receiving – provided you were entitled to them as opposed to their being at your employer's discretion. Benefits in kind, such as free board and lodging, and overtime (unless compulsory and guaranteed) are disregarded.

Moreover, the maximum week's pay for the purposes of redundancy payments is limited to £145, so any excess you were being paid above that amount will not be counted. This means the maximum you could receive under the statutory provisions governing redundancy payments, is limited to £4,350, ie, 20 x £145 x1½. The good news, however, is that statutory redundancy payments are tax free.

Special rules apply to the calulation of redundancy payments where an employee is aged 64 (men) or 59 (women). Here the normal redundancy entitlement is scaled down by one twelfth for each complete month you worked beyond your 64th (or 59th) birthday.

Take the example of a woman earning £100 a week who is made redundant at the age of 59 years and 4 months, after 15 years of service. She will receive 15 X £150, less one third for the four months she worked after her 59th birthday, leaving her with redundancy pay of £1,500.

Finally, your employer is required by law to give you a written statement showing how he or she has calculated your redundancy pay. Once you have received your redundancy money, your employer will usually be able to reclaim 41 per cent of it from the Redundancy Fund

Martin Griffiths

HOME LOANS

Societies that charge more

Seventeen building societies are charging at least 1 per cent more than the Building Societies Association rate of 10.25 per cent for a straight repayment mortgage, according to the latest edition of *Blay's Mortgage Tables.*

"One significant move is that Abbey National Building Society has increased its lending rates for mortgages between £15,000 and £25,000 by 0.25 per cent to 10.5 per cent for annuity mortgages, and by a 0.25 per cent to 10.75 per cent for endowment mortgages. This change has prompted other large societies to review their rates", the guide says.

"The Woolwich is still charging only 10.25 per cent on all annuity mortgages and has said it will not reintroduce a differential rate structure," it adds.

The tables cover all available sources of house purchase finance in the United Kingdom, including building societies, banks, finance houses, insurance companies, and bodies such as district councils and metropolitan boroughs. One of the nain features of the tables is loan availability.

Details are available from Blay's Guides, Churchfield Road, Chalfont St Peter, Buckinghamshire, SL9 9EW. (Tel. Gerrards Cross 0753 884417.)

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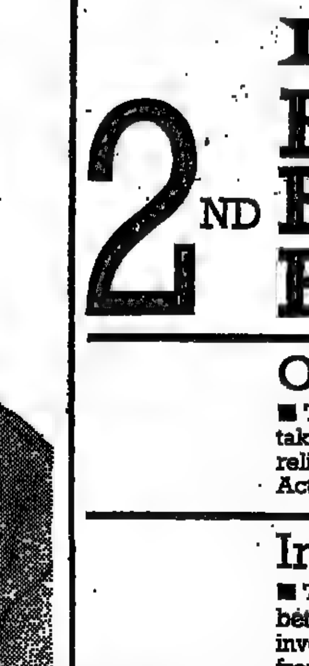
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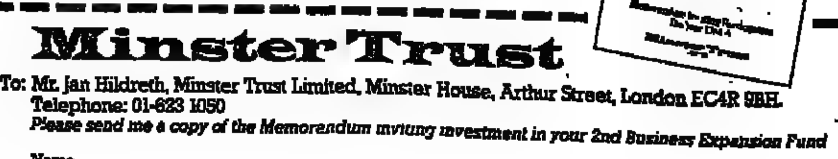
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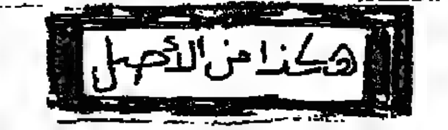
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FAMILY MONEY

TRUSTS

31 ways to avoid the CTT problem

Inheritance trusts are a popular way of mitigating the worst effects of Capital Transfer Tax – the difficulty is in deciding which of the many schemes available is suitable for your particular requirements.

A new review of most of the present schemes has just been published by investment advisers, Investment Planning Analysis & Management, covering 31 plans on offer. The booklet is comprehensive but costs £25 a copy. And, presumably, once IPAM knows you are interested in avoiding CTT and has your name and address, you will have to deal with the inevitable sales calls.

This is, however, a hazard with obtaining information from any financial consultant or advisers, though you will not have to pay £25 for the advice in most cases. Towry Law produces a similar review of CTT trusts available free, though it is by no means as comprehensive as the IPAM booklet. It sticks to general principles and gives no details of the actual schemes on offer.

The difficulty with all inheritance trusts is that with only two exceptions (the Noble Lowndes scheme, and Henderson's) you are locked into the insurance products of the insurance company selling the scheme.

The Noble Lowndes plan (the only scheme run by a broker but not covered in the IPAM review) allows the investor to choose the insurance products of a range of companies. The Henderson scheme lets you put virtually any kind of investment into the trust. Both these schemes offer much greater flexibility than the plans on offer from individual insurance companies.

Best of all, get an accountant to set up an inheritance trust tailored to your specific requirements and pick your own investment manager. If you are investing large sums (and there is not much point doing a CTT scheme unless you are thinking of sums in excess of £50,000 to £100,000) it is worth having something that is just right.

Accountants, Spicer and Pegler, have just produced a booklet (price £1) on the use of trusts in tax planning which highlights the advantages of a descretionary trust in CTT schemes. Spicer and Pegler will, no doubt, be prepared to set up a scheme for a fee, leaving you free to choose your own investment vehicles or advisers. This should work out considerably cheaper than the 5 to 7 per cent front-end loading imposed by the insurance companies.

Details from Spicer and Pegler, 56/60 St Mary Axe, London, EC3. Towry Law, Towry Law House, High Street, Windsor, Berkshire, SL4 1LX. IPAM, Emerson Court, Alderly Road, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 1NX.

Lorna Bourke

HOLIDAY INSURANCE

The hazard of home thefts while abroad

Holiday guides are full of commonsense advice for the traveller – don't carry cash, cheques and Eurocheque card all in the same back pocket. Don't leave your camera on the rear-window car shelf, particularly in Italy. Keep a separate note of your traveller's cheque numbers.

But according to Mr James Haswell, the insurance Ombudsman with the job of sorting out contentious claims, a major problem is that while holidaymakers are lounging on some faraway beach, back in Britain their home is being burgled.

There is, for instance, the awful tale of the couple who left their french windows unlocked by accident. They returned from their holiday abroad to find their home stripped of furniture. The insurance company paid up on most of the contents – but not the valuables, invoking the often-overlooked clause that requires policyholders to take reasonable care.

Some insurance companies state that cover is void if the house is unoccupied for a certain length of time – 30 days usually, but it can be as little as 21 days. And if you lend your house in an exchange, or even to a friend, you should inform the insurer.

Apart from locking doors and windows and cancelling the milk and newspapers, what is a "general duty of care"? It could mean putting your jewelry in the bank and, if you have a burglar alarm system, telling the neighbours what to do if it goes off.

"It's wise to phone your insurance company before you go on holiday and ask if you should take any special precautions", says Mr Haswell, "then there can be no arguments if anything does happen."

When it comes to holiday insurance itself, it may not be wise to buy the first policy you are offered by the travel agent or package-tour operator. The latter *can* be good value but it is not worth having if it simply does not offer what you need. So check what you are offered against the following:



- Medical cover. Nowadays this should be a minimum of £50,000 for the Continent, and £100,000 or more for travel in the US, where medical costs are stratospheric.

Leading insurance companies like the Prudential and the Norwich Union offer a 24-hour emergency medical service through groups like Europ Assistance or Medex, which can be contacted on a freefone number by holidaymakers to organize hospital treatment or even repatriation.

One point to watch with medical cover is reference to "pre-existing ailments" among the exclusions. This means the insurer can refuse to pay if you fall ill on holiday with a complaint previously suffered at home. The best insurance policies no longer contain this clause, but exclude anyone who travels against medical advice.

- If granny is going along, make certain of the insurance age limits – some companies exclude holidaymakers over the age of 70.
- Motor scooter or moped hire is popular in places like Greece, particularly with teenagers but is very frequently excluded from holiday insurance policies. You can usually buy this cover as an extra from the insurer before you go, however. The student insurers, Endsleigh, have a good package policy which covers motorcycling and is available to anyone.
- Luggage and cash cover is subject to limits – many policies will pay out a maximum of £150 on the loss of any one article or amount of money. If you buy clothes to take on holiday, keep the invoices – otherwise you may be repaid at secondhand value, not cost. And if you get anything stolen, report the theft to the local police and get written confirmation that you have done so from them, or someone else on the spot.

Family Money readers will be familiar with the problem of obtaining adequate car-hire insurance in the US and Canada. In a series of articles we highlighted the fact that transatlantic insurance regulations do not impose unlimited third-party cover on motorists as they do in the UK, leaving many British holidaymakers unprotected in view of very low state minimum requirements. Many flydrive tour operators now offer a package of third-party liability and insurance, but if you are going it alone to the US and hiring when you arrive, what can you do?

You cannot buy this extra cover over there. At the moment the only individual cover available in Britain is through Topsure Insurance, available through members of the Association of British Travel Agents. This provides third-party liability cover of up to $1m, or $2m in the event of an accident caused by the policyholder. The snag is that it is an excess policy, paying out on the difference between the claim and $300,000, which is the standard third-party cover provided by national car-hire companies like Hertz and Avis.

If you hire from a local renter, however, you should check the minimum third-party cover on the car-hire policy; for with the Topsure policy you will not be covered properly if this is below the $300,000 level, as it often is.

Just as important is the Topsure extra personal accident cover, costing just £9 a vehicle for up to 8 weeks and providing personal injury cover of up to £300,000 for each occupant.

Margaret Drummond

VENTURE CAPITAL

Why the expansion funds have to woo the investor

Now that business expansion funds are an established investment channel, the fund managers are finding it more difficult to raise capital.

Mr Charles Ewell of Electra Risk Capital, which is the grandaddy of them all – it was the first in the field in 1981 – said that it is more difficult than ever to raise money.

They are handicapped by not being able to sell prospective investors the details of the companies they are likely to invest in. So the only way of weighing up the different company's funds is to look at the spread of investments in their previous funds.

Mr Jan Hildreth of Minister Trust said that although it was more difficult to raise the money it was easier to find worthwhile investments. Small businessmen are more receptive to equity capital.

Minister's first fund had a spread of investments which went back to basics – the need for food and shelter. The £1.2 m fund holds stakes in Rising Dough a chain of hot bread shops on the south coast, a farm, Waterducks which makes rainwear, hotel catering, an aluminium roof system company and a seismic data processing company – which serves the oil industry.

Electra Risk Capital is Electra's third fund and the application list will be open until July 20. Electra is the largest operator under the BES Scheme, having already raised and invested or committed almost £19m.

Investment will be in unlisted companies, primarily to finance the expansion of established companies rather than start-up capital. The fund has been approved by the Inland Revenue and investors should qualify for tax relief on investments in the fund at their highest rate paid on up to £40,000 invested in the present year. Details from: Electra, Electra House, Temple Place, Victoria Embankment, London WC2R 3HP, and Minster Trust: Minster House, Arthur Street, London EC4.

MEDICINE

Credit card hospital care

A credit card for paying for private medical care which offers six months interest free credit has been launched by AMI Hospitals.

AMI is American-based but has eight hospitals in Britain, including the Princess Grace Hospital and Harley Street Clinic in London and the Princess Margaret Hospital in Windsor, Berkshire. It has a 65 per cent bed occupancy rate but plans to open new hospitals mean that it is seeking to expand the market for private medical care.

About 5 million people in Britain are covered by medical insurance. Those whose treatment is paid for by an insurance company make up 65 per cent of AMI's patients, with 20 per cent paying for themselves and 15 per cent by companies or foreign embassies.

So AMI believes that there will be a demand for the card from those wanting private treatment who are not covered by insurance.

"When you are sick it is too late to get insurance, but you can still get an Amicard", said Mr Jim Mills-Webb, AMI's finance director.

The card can also be used by people needing treatment for existing conditions which are excluded from cover by the insurance companies, those who are underinsured and need top-up cash, and in areas such as child birth and cosmetic plastic surgery which have always been outside the scope of insurance schemes.

AMI has not turned to the finance houses to organize the card because their rates are too high – typically 26.8 per cent APR. Instead they are looking to the money markets to fill the cash gap and are charging less than 1 per cent a month after the six months free credit which gives an annual percentage rate of 12.4 per cent – only slightly over half that charged by Access and Barclaycard.

There is a legal limit of £5,000 credit on the cards but under AMI's procedure pricing scheme even open heart surgery is £4,700 with an absolute miximum of £6,000 if complications set in. But the card does not yet cover doctors' fees just the hotel, drugs and nursing side of hospital treatment.

Card holders will be subject to a routine credit-rating check and will receive monthly statements. They will have to pay off a minimum of £50 or 5 per cent a month.

Vivien Goldsmith

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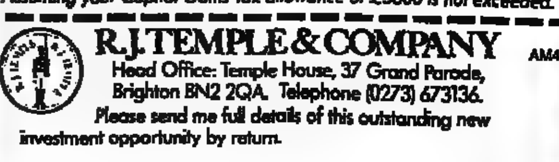
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107⅞	103¹⁄₁₆	Treas	15%	1985	103³⁄₁₆	–³⁄₁₆	14.535	9.973
107	101	Exch Cv	12%	1985	101⁷⁄₁₆	–¹⁄₁₆	11.830	9.671
95⁵⁄₁₆	88¾	Treas	3%	1985	94⁵⁄₁₆	–⅛	3.172	9.425
103⁵⁄₁₆	99½	Treas	11½%	1985	101⅛	●–⅛	11.365	10.283
102	95½	Treas C	8¾%	1985	97¹⁵⁄₁₆	–⅛	8.935	10.586
104⅞	100½	Exch	12¼%	1985	101¹³⁄₁₆	–⅛	12.031	10.772
103²³⁄₃₂	99⅛	Exch	11¾%	1986	101⅛	–¹⁄₁₆	11.629	10.953
102¾	97¹³⁄₁₆	Treas C	10%	1986	98⅝	–⅛	10.195	11.208
90¼	85⅝	Treas	3%	1986	89¹¹⁄₁₆	–¹⁄₁₆	3.345	9.097
102	97⅞	Exch C	10½%	1986	98¹³⁄₁₆	–⅛	10.628	11.196
104¼	100	Treas	12%	1986	101⅛	–³⁄₁₆	11.865	11.336
98⅜	94⅜	Treas	8½%	1984-86	95½	●–⅛	8.901	11.028
87⅞	84½	Exch	2½%	1986	86¼	–⅛	2.898	8.976
109½	104⅜	Exch	14%	1986	104¹³⁄₁₆	–³⁄₁₆	13.357	11.566
107⅜	103⅛	Exch	13¼%	1987	103⁹⁄₁₆	●–⅛	12.796	11.602
100⅞	95⅞	Treas C	10¼%	1987	96⅝	–³⁄₁₆	10.595	11.701
86½	80¼	Exch	2½%	1987	83⅝	–⅛	2.985	9.542
101³⁄₁₆	95⅝	Exch	10½%	1987	97⅛	–³⁄₁₆	10.811	11.734
93	88	Fund	6½%	1985-87	88½	–⅛	7.344	11.329
99⅝	95⅜	Treas	10%	1987	95¾	–³⁄₁₆	10.445	11.734
85	80⅛	Treas	3%	1987	82⁷⁄₁₆	●+⅛	3.639	9.803
105	97½	Treas	12%	1987	100⅝	–⅛	11.929	11.742
95	89¼	Treas	7¾%	1985-88	89½	●–⅛	8.659	11.396
101⅛	95	Exch	10½%	1988	95¹⁵⁄₁₆	–¼	10.944	11.819
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FOOTBALL: DENMARK FAVOURED TO FACE HOST NATION IN CLIMAX

France deprived of revenge but can claim final victory

From Clive White, Lyon

By the end of the weekend, Europe, if not France, should have the final it always desired – France v. Denmark. Yet the French wanted West Germany so badly. The wanted to encourage them all the way to the climax of the European championship at the Parc des Princes stadium in the capital; and then destroy them before a nation of witnesses.

But there is to be no revenge for the heartache – not to mention the physical pain suffered by Battiston – of that July evening two summers ago in Seville when, after leading their World Cup semi-final 3–1, France lost 5–4 on penalties to West Germany.

Still, the French cannot be displeased with the prospect of another duel with the steely Danes. The French squeezed past them deservedly in that fine opening match of this championship, which has grown even greater in stature and entertainment since, and the next meeting promises to be even more thrilling.

Michel Hidalgo, the French manager, has been keen to defend the competition. Attempts have been made to devalue it because of the absence of countries like Italy, the world champions, the Soviet Union, the Netherlands and England.

He believes the standard is higher and more even than in Spain. How he must wish this were World Cup year. By next Wednesday evening, France will have confirmed, I believe, that they are supreme in Europe. And who in South America, judging by England's reasonably successful tour could challenge their claim to world dominance?

Rarely can the outcome of both semi-finals of a major competition have seemed so obvious. But if anyone has the temerity to trip those dainty French feet, then perhaps it is someone who also moves neatly – the irrefutable Platini said as much. The French apart, the Portuguese have more natural skill than anyone else in the championship, possibly in the rest of Europe too.

Their overthrow of the Russians by a disputed penalty seemed to sully their admission ticket to these finals, particularly in view of the fact that they lost 5-0 in Moscow. In the intervening seven months between qualifying and kicking off against West Germany, they played not a single match, because of club priority. The vacuum has left them at least fresh, as they showed in drawing unluckily against the Germans. Their failure to convert the cheeky enterprise of Chalana and the improvisation of Carlos Manuel cost them victory against Spain in the same Marseilles Velodrome stadium, where their supporters will converge in their thousands today.

Fernando Cabrita, their manager, for reasons he would not disclose, chose to omit Fernando Gomes, the owner of one Golden Boot in recognition of his achievement as top goalscorer in Europe the season before last. There was a noticeably sharper edge to the Portuguese on his return against Romania, though it was remarkable that they achieved their victory largely without Chalana, who was carried off on a stretcher. But he is expected to raise himself today.

The Angolan-born Jordao may well unnerve Domergue, who plays probably his last game at full back in place of the suspended Amoros. But the Portuguese can look strangely bemused in defence, as they did eventually even against the uninspiring Spaniards. After what France did to such reputable defenders as the Belgians, one can only fear for Bento in goal and for his defenders in trying to mark forwards who, with the exception of Lacombe, do not exist.

There should be a few more goals to savour here at the Gerland Stadium tomorrow, in the other semi-final. I don not expect even such resolute characters as Spain's Goicoechea and the towering blond hero, Maceda, to restrict the Danish whirlwind below force three in the face of equally powerful but more subtle individuals such as Elkjaer-Larsen and Arnesen. Goicoechea, the butcher of Bilbao, has been remarkably well behaved, save for one gruesome tackle on West Germany's Völler.

Spain, against Romania, made you weep for the absence of the Dutch, whom they ousted with an odd dozen against Malta. They have largely improved with each match, to the point where they deserved to lose only about 3-1 against West Germany, whom Hidalgo believes were scared of losing.

It is highly unlikely that even a better Spain would remotely trouble Denmark, who, even without Simonsen and Jesper Olsen, are still a frightening force. By comparison, Spain are small men and in midfield have players of inadequate vision, notably Victor and Gallego. In attack, while Carrasco is always liable to spring an opening, he is never sufficiently composed to act upon it.

DENMARK (probable): O Qvist; O Rasmussen, M Olsen, I Nielsen, S Busk, F Arnesen, J-J Bertelsen, K Berggreen, S Lerby, M Laudrup, P Elkjaer.
SPAIN (probable): L Arconada; J A Senor, A Goikoetxea, A Maceda, J Camacho, V Munoz, R Gallego, J Alberto, R Gordillo, C Santillana, F Carrasco.
Referee: G Courtney (Eng).
FRANCE (probable): J Bats; P Battiston, M Bossis, Y le Roux, J-F Domergue, J Tigana, A Giresse, M Platini, L Fernandez, J-M Ferreri, D Bix.
PORTUGAL (probable): M Bento; J Pinto, E Gomes, L Pereira, A Magalhaes, A Frasco, M Diamantino, A Sousa, F Chalana, R Jordao, F Gomes.
Referee: P Bergamo (It).



The resolute Goicoechea (left) may be disappointed, but Platini's talent should be rewarded

Beckenbauer hints at taking over

Bonn (Reuter) – Franz Beckenbauer emerged yesterday as a leading contender for the job of restoring West German football to its past glory. As newspapers heaped blame on the trainer, Jupp Derwall, for the team's failure in the European Championship, the former West German captain was already being hailed as his successor.

"Derwall's time is past," said the West German paper *Bild*, in a front page headline. "It doesn't matter if Derwall resigns now or later. The Derwall era is over," the newspaper continued. *Bild* quoted Beckenbauer, who led West Germany to the European title in 1972 and the World Cup in 1974, as saying he did into want to be the team's trainer. But he said he was prepared to consider the position of technical director to the national team. "On this point I'm ready to talk," he said. "But one must discuss the division of tasks exactly."

In a guest column he writes for *Bild*, Beckenbauer yesterday blamed West Germany's present plight on the long practice of producing soccer athletes, not footballers. He said he could not remember having seen the West German team play a good match over the past two years.

Rainer Holzschuh, the press spokesman of the West German Football Federation (DFB), said there was no intention of creating the kind of post envisaged by Beckenbauer. "We have got on very well with our present system", he said, "we are not thinking of changing anything".

Houghton asks for transfer

Ray Houghton is the latest Fulham player to ask for a transfer. The Scottish midfield player, one of the best in this position in the second division, has missed only four games in the last two seasons since he was signed on a free transfer from West Ham United.

The Welsh international forward Gordon Davies and the England B defender Tony Gale are also keen to leave Craven Cottage. Another young forward Dale Tempest, is unsettled, and has failed to accept terms for next season.

The Barnsley manager Bobby Collins, is hoping to persuade Lou Macari, Manchester United's Scottish international, to join the Oakwell Club as player coach.

Tommy Docherty, the new Wolverhampton Wanderers manager revealed yesterday that Alan Dodd had rejected a £650 a week contract.

Spurs may appeal on £7,500 fine

Tottenham were fined £7,500 by the Football League yesterday for fielding a weakened side in last month's first division game at Southampton. The game came 48 hours before Spurs faced Anderlecht in the UEFA Cup final first leg in Brussels – and Paul Miller, a defender, was the only player to start both games.

Alan Everiss, a West Bromwich Albion director, admitted afterwards: "The commission was most impressed with the lucid way Tottenham presented their case and was very mindful of Spurs' success in Europe and the contribution it made to the reputation of British football in general. Unfortunately we had no alternative but to uphold the regulations".

Douglas Alexiou, the Tottenham chairman, said: "We submitted that, taking into account all the circumstances, we fielded our best available side. Graham Roberts was suspended for the game, while others were ruled out by injury. We also pointed out that we had tried several times to change the fixture." He said that they will decide on Monday whether to appeal.

● Tottenham have delayed naming their new manager. A decision had been expected yesterday, with Peter Shreeves, their coach, tipped to take over from Keith Burkinshaw.

ATHLETICS

Elliott could trip up Olympic champion in home straight

By Pat Butcher

There is a wall in the imaginations of officials and followers of athletics in Britain on which is indelibly scrawled the graffito: "Middle Distance Running Rules, OK?" No matter how vociferously sprinters, field eventers and even the ubiquitous marathon runners may complain that it is not OK, they can neither run through, nor scale, even less demolish a wall that becomes more substantial with nearly every major meeting.

The 104th Amateur Athletic Association championship at Crystal Palace today and tomorrow builds on the legend that began with Walter George – winner of the first AAA mile, and those world record lasted almost 30 years – through Roger Bannister to the current legends of Sebastian Coe, Steve Ovett, and, if he wins the Olympic 1,500 metres title, Steve Cram.

Cram and Coe are competing this weekend, and the 1,500 metres, the 3,000 metres steeplechase, and the 5,000 metres have the additional attraction that each contains a clash between two fine athletes seeking the last Olympic team place in their event. The final selections for Los Angeles are to be made tomorrow, immediately after the meeting, which is sponsored by U-Bix Copiers.

Coe, whose health seems to be holding at this crucial point in the season, following his defeats and withdrawals from the major championships in the last two years, faces Peter Elliott in the 1,500 metres.

Both have been selected for the Olympic 800 metres already, but, despite being current Olympic 1,500 metres champion, Coe has been put in the invidious position of having to race to gain the last place beside Cram and Ovett because he has not registered the fast times that Elliott has done this season.

The independent meeting promoters are not making enough of Britain's four world-class steeplechasers, the strongest representation in the event since the days of Brasher, Disley and Shirley 30 years ago. Colin Reitz and Roger Hackney are also among the 50 British athletes already selected, so Paul Davies-Hale, who was an outstanding junior three years ago, needs to reproduce his victory of two weeks ago over Graham Fell to deprive the British record holder, and fifth in the world last year, of an Olympic place.

What a disappointment it would be if Tim Hutchings did not get the last place in the 5,000 metres. After his second place in the world cross-country championships in March, Hutchings looked good for an Olympic medal. But another in a succession of injuries curtailed his training, and although he showed signs of recovery with a fast 3,000 metres at Loughborough last weekend, Jack Buckner, who beat him there, has decided to switch his attempt for an Olympic place to the 5,000 metres. But the extra distance may help Hutchings more.

Cram is not going for an Olympic 800 metres place, and Alberto Juantorena has been denied his last Games because of Cuba's withdrawal from Los Angeles, but their 800 metres tomorrow could be one of the best races in championship history, with the Cuban legend in real danger. Cram looked more controlled than ever in his 1,000 metre race last week, and he has led the world 800 metres rankings, with a best of 1 min 43.61 sec, for the last two years.

Mike McLeod resumes his battle for a 10,000 metres place, but since there are still two left open, he feels that if he can avoid the sort of accident that stopped him at Cwmbran last month, he will have the edge on Julian Goater and Steve Jones. The 400 metres will have a direct bearing on Olympic medal prospects, since Bert Cameron, of Jamaica, Mike Paul of Trinidad, and Darren Clark, of Australia, three of the best in the world, are all competing.

The England women's match in Birmingham will also serve as final basis for selections. Wendy Sly has her first big domestic race after illness, and should ensure at least her 3,000 metres place, but she will probably be selected for 1,500 metres as well. She was fifth in both distances in the world championships last year. Zola Budd has already been selected for 3,000 metres, but she makes her international debut at 1,500 metres today

Lewis takes a giant step towards Owens

Los Angeles (Reuter) – Carl Lewis yesterday completed the first step towards equalling Jesse Owens's feat of winning four Olympic gold medals by qualifying for the 200 metres in the US track and field trials at the Los Angeles Coliseum. His winning time, 19.86 seconds, was the fifth fastest of all time and earned him qualification for his fourth Olympic event.

Earlier in the week he won the long jump and the 100 metres, which also gained him a place in the 4 x 100 metre relay team. "I look forward to duplicating this week at the Olympics," Lewis said.

Kirk Baptiste finished second in the 200 metres final in 20.05 seconds, while Thomas Jefferson was third in 20.37. In a semi-final round earlier in the day, Calvin Smith, who won the 200 metres at last year's world championships, was eliminated when he finished fourth.

Antonio McKay won the men's 400 final in the fastest time in the world this year – and the fastest ever in the Coliseum, breaking the mark of 44.8 set by Vinde Matthews in 1972.

He forged in front with about 10 metres remaining in the 400, passing Alonzo Babers to win comfortably. Babers took second place in 44.86, and Sunder Nix, the bronze medallist in the 1983 world championships, was third in 45.15.

Mary Decker, the world champion in the women's 1,500 and 3,000 metres, won heats in both her events. In the opening round of the 1,500, she coasted to victory in 4:13.70. Eight hours later she captured her 3,000 semi-final in 8:56.12.

"I felt fine", Decker said after her first race. "I ran nice and easy and relaxed. I felt stronger than I've felt before. I've tried to run through my qualifying heats as slowly as I can".

Evelyn Ashford, America's top woman sprinter, failed in her bid to qualify for the 200 metres when she had to drop out of a first-round race because of a recurring hamstring problem.

The problem is not believed to be serious, however, and Miss Ashford will still compete in the 100 metres and the women's 4 x 100 metre relay, for which she had qualified by winning the 100 metre event earlier in the trials.

Mike Tully ragained the American record in the pole vault, clearing 19ft 0¼in. Tully had established the American record of 18ft 11in last month at Los Angeles, but held it less than three weeks before Earl Bell took it.

Tully is the third American ever to clear 19ft, the others being Bell and Billy Olson, who did it during the 1984 indoor season. The world record in the pole vault is 19ft 3½in by Sergey Bubka, of the Soviet Union.



Decker: qualified easily

Judy Brown established an American record in the women's 400-metre hurdles with a time of 54.93sec.

TEAM QUALIFIFERS: Men's 200 metres: 1, C Lewis, 19.86sec; 2, K Baptiste, 20.05; 3, T Jefferson, 20.37. Men's 400 metres: 1, A McKay, 44.71sec; 2, A Babers, 44.86; 3, S Nix, 45.15. Men's pole vault: 1, M Tully, 19ft 0¼in; 2, D Lytle, 18ft 8¾in; 3, E Bell, 18ft 4¼in. Women's 400 metres: 1, J Brown, 54.93sec; 2, A Wright, 55.33; 3, S Barksdale, 55.58.

Change in curriculum since the year of Grace

Lower place in batting order

In his second article on the state of cricket at schools level IVO TENNANT *discusses the position of the game in the public schools*

The public school has always counted cricket as an important part of its curriculum. *Mens sana in corpore sano* was by those institutions which attempted to copy Dr Arnold's Rugby: the early morning run, the cold bath. But times have changed, and with them many of these schools' curriculum vitae.

In the era of Grace, schools cricket meant public schools cricket. It was an age when a young man might well stay on until 19 or 20 in order to play for the XI and, if he could do a bit with bat or ball, to obtain was a discipline and a training in character – part, even, of preparing the young men of Great Britain for the "great game" of war.

The public school of the 1980s will not be training pupils for such a purpose, not even in the cadet corps. A boy might stay on to be head of school, for the kudos and interesting privileges such as growing a beard, but he will rarely remain just to play cricket. It is a luxury few parents can afford, and more significantly the public schoolboy faces stiffer competition in the outside world than has ever been the case in the past – evidenced, for example, by Oxford's rather pathetic attempts to reduce their intake from the independent sector. He is obliged to get up and get on.

Thus exams, which at one time meant little, have become all-important. Summer terms, in which O and A levels are set, now begin a fortnight earlier, when the weather is almost invariably wetter. Pressure of time has led to two-day matches going by the board. Schools are altogether more receptive to boys who claim that regular cricket interferes with their work.

The talented cricketer will probably continue to play as much as ever. His ability ensures his interest. It is in the lowly games that standards are not, perhaps, what they were. Boys are not so well coached at preparatory schools. Some, now, do not even teach cricket. They prefer to diversify their activities.

The games master who give freely of his time is essential to the cricketing development of prep and public schoolboys. At Winchester, Hubert Doggart ran the cricket for 17 years without being paid anything on top of his salary as a teacher. Not all are so keen.

The best-known public schools, such as Winchester, can afford at least one coach, or a "pro", as he is known, even if they, like state schools, are suffering from the demise of the groundsman. On the second day of this summer term, a cold one, at King's, Canterbury, eight games of cricket were in progress, the boys being coached by Doug Wright and Alan Ealham, both notable former Kent players. At Harrow, Percy Davis, once of Northamptonshire, with two pros under him, lifted cricket to a remarkably high standard. Eton, not to be undone, have taken on John Rice, until recently a Hampshire cricketer.

The more serious the approach, the greater the glamour attached to winning colours. About 37,000 boys in 217 public schools will be playing this term, and when one considers it is a voluntary sport even in such a cricket-orientated school as Tonbridge, and the range of options open, this is a fair number.

So have standards fallen? Probably only a little. Public school cricketers continue to come to the fore in the first-class game. There are 21 capped and 36 uncapped players on the the county staffs. Whereas in the past they took part as amateurs for the joy of it, today they are professionals attracted by good remuneration.

Th oldest fixture at Lord's is the Eton v Harrow match. Byron played in the very first. In that period, the nineteenth century, the public schoolboy patronized cricket. In 1984 an Old Harrovian, Pigott, almost changed counties for a reported extra £300 a year. It is not just the game itself which reflects the times.



Jacqueline Leavy: 'It is the skills of the dancer that we need most" (Photograph: Bill Warhurst)

Girls aiming for the high notes in a ball, hoop, ribbon and club sport



Modern rhythmic gymnastics, a graceful mixture of dancing, tumbling, juggling and catching performed to music, makes its first Olympic appearance in Los Angeles this summer. ***SIMON BARNES*** *meets Britain's team of two girls and their coach.*

Pretty girls rolling about on the floor chucking toys in the air has become an Olympic sport. They jump through striped hoops, bung a ball at the ceiling, tumble and catch it again; they toss dinky little clubs about, the they whirl a six-metre length of ribbon around on the end of a stick. This is modern rhythmic gymnastics, MRG for short, and it will be an Olympic sport for the first time in Los Angeles.

Jacqueline Leavy became Britain's No 1 at the sport after a childhood career of home-wrecking, and she has always taken the sport with the utmost seriousness. "I was always marking walls and ruining chairs with handstands and things. I broke a settee once, by vaulting on it. My father sent me to a gymnastics club before I smashed the place up completely".

At the British Amateur Gymnastics Association, they are gripping their desks and waiting for the post-Olympic explosion: already half a million people do MRG, and January they expect another million. They are frantically trying to get enough coaches trained in time to meet the demand.

MRG is supposed to be more graceful, and is certainly less neck-breakingly dangerous, than the Olga Korbut brand we have got used to, which is called, when you need to distinguish it from MRG, artistic gymnastics. MRG tends to be performed by young women rather than little girls, it was developed in France and Germany 40 years ago, there is no doubting that the Russians are best at it, and there is no doubt at all that it is a very popular sport indeed.

The Olympic competition is for individuals, not national teams, and the gold goes to the best girl through the four disciplines. Each discipline is performed to music, each with a different thing, which you must remember to call apparatus and not props: ball, hoop, ribbon and clubs.

It is a mixture of dancing, tumbling and juggling. "Catching is the crucial thing", Lorraine Priest, the second member of the British Olympic squad of two, said. "You have got to be 100 per cent consistent". They practise throwing and catching for hours in search of this total accuracy.

"I'd be too tall to do artistic gymnastics – I'm five foot five, and the artistic gymnasts are all five-footers. I wouldn't fit round the asymmetric bars", said Miss Leavy, who at 19 is also too long in the tooth for the artistic stuff. "Like ballet dancers, we are meant to peak later than artistic gymnasts. At around 24. It is the skills of the dancer, rather than the tumbler, that we need the most".

The only small cloud on Miss Leavy's horizon at the moment is that no one actually believes she is going to Los Angeles. "My friends are used to going away for competitions, but they just don't believe that I'm going to do modern rhythmic gymnastics at the Olympic Games". It is, indeed, a hard idea to get used to, but at the Games, in which synchronized swimming splashes out for the first time, it would be churlish to deny the tumbling girls their chance.

There is no serious chance of a medal, though, Russians or no Russians. The sport has been going on in Britain for only 10 years. "The fact that we have managed to qualify for the Games is tremendous", said the Olympic coach, Jenny Bott, who started the ball rolling and the hoop flying in British MRG coaching.

Miss Leavy finshed forty-third in the last world championship, and having achieved the wild dream of reaching the games, says: "All I want to do is perform my routines well." For, far more even than artistic gymnastics, MRG is a performance sport, playing-up to the audience. Miss Priest performs her ball routine to the music of B. Bumble and the stingers, stirring schoolboy memories for some, and it was deliberately chosen "to wake the audience up". In contrast, Miss Leavy has prefered Kate Bush's "Wuthering Heights".

"It was ribbon that saved my neck in the last competition," she said. "Lorraine was leading after three disiplines, but the crowd really lifted me at the last, and I did well enough to win. Ribbon really is the prettiest to watch...though you must never let prettiness get in the way of difficulty."

As in the other brand, routines are marked out of 10: six points are for difficulty, four for composition and interpretation of the music. This is a sport, the girls say, with many satisfactions – the satisfactions of the performer, the crowd-pleaser, rather than the athletic achiever. "Bringing off the tricky movements and the high throws," Miss Leavy said. "And linking closely to the music. And then you catch it at exactly the right moment... and everybody will clap." Her face lights up at the very thought.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Invicta object to new fixtures arrangement

By Keith Macklin

The placing of Kent Invicta in the western half of next season's revised second division set-up will cost the Maidstone club thousands of pounds, according to a letter sent by the club to David Oxley, secretary-general of the Rugby League.

Mr L. Pearce, the Kent Invicta chairman, says: "We have to ask the very serious question: does the League want the game to survive and flourish in the south?"

Mr Pearce says that the Maidstone club, who will be entering only their second season, wrote to the League asking to be placed in the eastern section of next season's second division fixtures, in order to avoid overnight stays. However, Kent Invicta have to play Blackpool Borough and Whitehaven, which means at least two overnight trips.

Mr Pearce comments: "We are given the maximum travelling grant of £600 per annum. This will hardly cover the trip to Whitehaven. Every other game, except to Fulham, is a long and expensive journey for us."

He points out that northern clubs only have to visit Maidstone once, Fulham once and Cardiff once, yet they are awarded substantial subsidies. The secretary-general of the League has been asked by Invicta to bring the matter up as quickly as possible and ask for the whole position to be reviewed.

●Tony Gourley, the Fulham captain, has asked for a transfer.

WEEKEND FIXTURES

TODAY

CRICKET

Tour Match
CHELMSFORD: Essex v West Indies (11.30-6.30)
County Championship (11.0)
DERBY: Derbyshire v Kent
BRISTOL: Gloucestershire v Hampshire
OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire v Worcestershire
LEICESTER: Leicestershire v Nottinghamshire
NORTHAMPTON: Northamptonshire v Yorkshire
THE OVAL: Surrey v Middlesex
HOVE: Sussex v Glamorgan
EDGBASTON: Warwickshire v Somerset

FOOTBALL

European Championship: Semi-final
France v Portugal (Marseilles, 7.0)

ATHLETICS: AAA Championships (Crystal Palace NSC); England v Scotland v Wales v Yugoslavia Women's International (Birmingham).
CROQUET: Men's and Women's Championships (Cheltenham); Ryde Tournament; Edgbaston Weekend Tournament.
GOLF: Midland Open Amateur Championship (Little Aston & Sutton Coldfield G.C.); UBM Women's Classic.
TENNIS: West of England championships (Bristol); Women's Tournament (Eastbourne); South Northumberland Tournament (Newcastle-upon-Tyne).
ROAD RUNNING: Chalfonts Carnival road races (Chalfont St Peter).
ROWING: Weybridge Women's ARC regatta; Richmond regatta; Reading Town regatta.
SWIMMING: SCASA Championships (Crystal Palace NSC, 10.0 am).
MOTOR CYCLING: International meeting (Donnington Park): Clubmans races: Practice from 9.15 am First race 12.30.
WATER SKIING: English native championships (Port Haverigg).
YACHTING: Cruisers' Round the island race (Cowes).

TOMORROW

CRICKET

Tour match
CHELMSFORD: Essex v West Indians.
John Player Special league (2.0).
DERBY: Derbyshire v Kent.
BRISTOL: Gloucestershire v Hampshire.
OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire v Worcestershire.
LEICESTER: Leicestershire v Nottinghamshire.
LUTON: Northampton v Yorkshire.
THE OVAL: Surrey v Middlesex.
HOVE: Sussex v Glamorgan.
EDGBASTON: Warwickshire v Somerset.
WOMEN'S ONE-DAY INTERNATIONAL: HASTINGS: England v New Zealand.
MINOR COUNTIES: HARTLEPOOL: Durham v Cumberland; HENLOW: Bedfordshire v Cambridgeshire; FALMOUTH: Cornwall v Cheshire.

FOOTBALL

European Championship, semi-final
Spain v Denmark (Lyon, 7.0).

ATHLETICS: AAA championships (Crystal Palace NSC, 2 pm). Tendring AC Open track and field meeting (Clacton-on-Sea, 10.30 am).
CROQUET: Edgbaston weekend tournament.
CYCLING: Professional road race championships (Isle of Man).
MOTOR CYCLING: European road race championships (Donington Park): Vintage motor cycle race (12.30, Brands Hatch); Clubmans races (12.30, Snetterton).
POWERBOATING: London-Calais-London race (Tower Bridge, 9.0 am).
ROAD RUNNING: Woodford Green 7½ miles race; Colchester 5 miles race; Peter Driver road races (Fleet).

Leicester profit

Leicester RFC, despite being knocked out of the John Player Cup in the third round, made a profit of £38,000 last season. Gate receipts increased from £64,000 to £71,000, and John Allen, the secretary said: "It turned out to be one of the best seasons financially for 30 years."

- Gareth Williams, the former British Lions and Wales back row player, will captain Bridgend next season. Bridgend were runners up in the unofficial Welsh championship last season, established a world try scoring record

IN BRIEF

Scullers are back in squad

The double scullers, Nonie Ray and Sally Bloomfield, will after all race for Britain in the Olympic Games. The Amateur Rowing Association announced yesterday that the selectors had changed their minds after an appeal from the two women.

The original decision to omit the pair prompted a strong protest from some members of the women's squad, including Beryl Mitchell, Britain's top single sculler, who said: "It must be a mistake". She said that they were more experienced, had better times and were better athletes than Kate Panter and Ruth Howe, the pair named as travelling reserves. Now all four women will go to Los Angeles.

BOXING: WBA welterweight champion, Donald Curry, has pulled out of his title bout with Italy's Nino La Rocca in Monte Carlo on July 14, because of a viral infection.

FOOTBALL: Swindon Town are to advertise for a new manager, after arranging a sponsorship deal with the insurance company, Lowndes Lambert. The company are injecting £150,000 into the fourth division club over the next two years, and one of their conditions is the appointment of a manager of national repute.

MOTOR RALLYING: a forecast of wet weather means that the four-wheel drive Audi Quattro of Stig Blomqvist, of Sweden starts favourite in the seventh round of the world championship today.

The 2,606 kilometre rally of New Zealand, sponsored by Sanyo runs for four days, from Auckland in the north to Rotorua and back.

POWER BOATS

Conditions will play a part in the Channel

By Bryan Stiles

The tough London-Calais-London powerboat race on Sunday is being used as a testing course by some of the drivers taking part in the gruelling 12-day Round Britain race next month. Others have decided to give Sunday's race a miss to save damaging their boats on the eve of such a daunting challenge.

Half-submerged logs and other debris claim a heavy toll each year on the craft which set out from Tower Bridge on the Thames to battle with the tricky seas and currents in the English Channel.

One competitor who will be taking the risk is Colin Gervaise-Brazier, who has already won two major events this year, at Fowey, Cornwall and at Guernsey, where he lives. His 38ft monohull craft, The Legend, with its two turbocharged Jaguar V12 engines, will be among the 30 boats setting off in the massed start at top speed under Tower Bridge at 9.0.

His closest rival for the Thames Challenge Trophy is likely to be another 38ft boat, the Cougar catamaran Super Cat, driven by Bill Bonner.

TENNIS: MISS NAVRATILOVA FORGES AHEAD WHILE MRS LLOYD LOSES GROUND

Calmer Miss Jordan reaches final

By Rex Bellamy
Tennis Correspondent

Kathy Jordan beat Chris Lloyd 6-2, 6-4 in a semi-final of the Carlsberg tournament at Eastbourne yesterday. Miss Jordan had also won their only previous match on grass at Wimbledon last year. In today's final she will play Martina Navratilova, who beat Claudia Kohde 4-6, 6-1, 6-4.

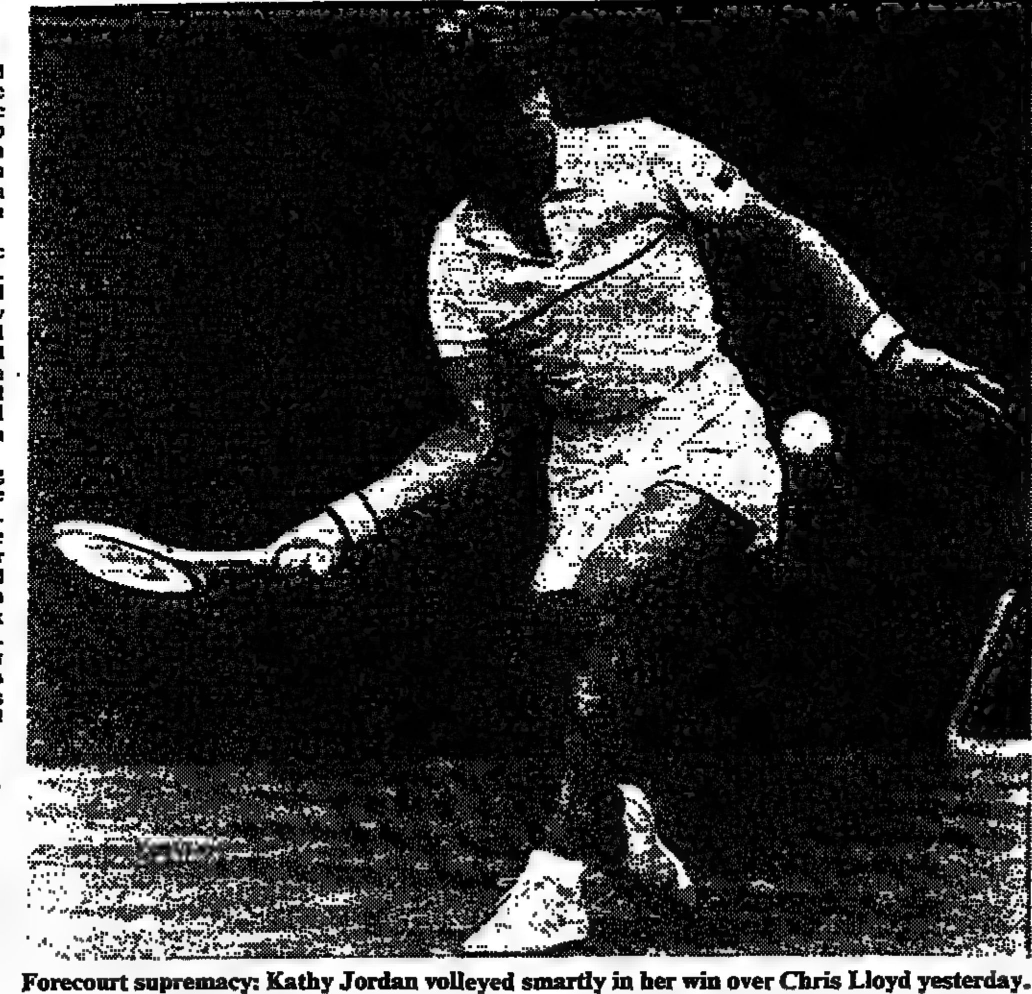
Miss Jordan and Miss Kohde produced superb performances, especially in the forecourt. Both had the power to hit through a gusty wind, which inhibited Mrs Lloyd more that anyone else. In the third set Miss Kohde led 3-0, and had a point for 5-2. Such a lead would probably been crucial. It escaped her, because Miss Navratilova hit a winning backhand service return.

Mrs Lloyd, aged 29, is showing signs of an erosion of competitive confidence. It is not yet serious. Other that Miss Navratilova, the only players who have beaten her this year are Manuela Maleeva and Miss Jordan – and both did so in warm-up tournaments the week before a grand slam championship. But there is no denying the fact that wheras the gap between Miss Navratilova and Mrs Lloyd is windening, that between Mrs Lloyd and the rest is closing.

Miss Jordan, runner-up for the Australian championship, is benefiting from the help of that boisterously engaging Australian, Judy Dalton – who is delighted, by the way, to be playing mixed doubles at Wimbledon 20 years after first competing there. Mrs Dalton seems to have had a calming influence on Miss Jordan, whose singles prowess has often suffered from an excitable temperament.

Miss Jordan played a smart and aggressive match, taking charge of it by winning three consecutive deuce games. She has an impressive doubles record but has seldom volleyed as consistently well as she did yesterday. Mrs Lloyd, ill at ease and tentative, lacked the power and assurance to fox her with wind-cheating drives or lobs.

Miss Kohde, aged 20, was no less impressive than Miss Jordan. The long-limbed German read Miss Navratilova's game with remarkable ease, and, in the forecourt, reacted fast and controlled the angle of the racket face with dexterous facility. Equally admirable were her backhand overheads and, for much of the match, her services and skimming returns. Miss Navratilova's volleying often lacked its usual authority. "Grass is an equalizer and so is wind," Miss Navratilova said later, "but she played well."



Forecourt supremacy: Kathy Jordan volleyed smartly in her win over Chris Lloyd yesterday.

The under-21 singles final should have featured two more Wimbledon seeds, Miss Maleeva and Andrea Temesvari. But Miss Temesvari's persistent back trouble induced her to retire yesterday when she was 2-5 down to Steffi Graf, of Germany, aged 15.

SINGLES: Semi-final round: M Navratilova (US) bt C Kohde (WG) 4-6, 6-1, 6-4; K Jordan (US) bt C Lloyd (US) 6-2, 6-4.

Lucky losers

Peter Doohan and Michael Fancutt, of Australia, will play in the men's doubles at Wimbledon next week as lucky losers because of the withdrawal of the Americans, John Mattke, who has broken an ankle and Ron Hightower. Doohan and Fancutt will meet John Feaver and Jonathan Smith.



Ilie Nastase (above) flew into London yesterday to take on a most unlikely role – that of umpire. The Romanian, who was abusing officials while John McEnroe was still at school, will perform the duties at a pro-celebrity tournament this weekend at the Royal Albert Hall.

He smiled and said: "I can't believe it either. It will be nice to give orders instead of taking them. At least I know what I'm talking about."

Kriek and Teacher top class

By Peter Marson

Johan Kriek, the holder in the West of England championship, sponsored by Ford, moved swiftly past Nduka Odizor in straight sets in the semi-final round at Redland Green, Bristol, yesterday, and will meet the second seed, Brian Teacher, who dismissed Lloyd Bourne in similar fashion in the final today.

The fact that Odizor was not fully fit was, no doubt, a contributory factor in Kriek's 6–4, 6–4 victory in just an hour. But Bourne who suffered a chipped bone in his left knee-cap here at the same time last year and thought he had done as bad or worse on the practice courts in the morning yesterday, can rest easy because his problem has been diagnosed as being little more than a pinched nerve. So at least Wimbledon no longer remains a doubt for him.

Odizor might have been inconvenienced, but neither misfortune nor the defeat which followed clouded his judgment, which was that Kriek had played well and deserved his victory. That was good to hear, and if only a small tribute it symbolized the good fellowship and orderliness in a well-run tournament.

Only the weather disappointed yesterday and, while a lowering in temperature was welcome, the players had to deal with an impish wind. Kriek thinks he can rise above the vagaries of the wind and proved that to be so as he brought a formidable service into play, while his anticipation and athleticism, the hall marks of his game, were ever present.

An even balance prevailed in Bourne's battle with Teacher – until the tie break, that is. Here Teacher moved up a gear to take the first set 7-6, then, trailing 4-1, the wind filled Teacher's sails once more as he won five games in a row.

SINGLES: Semi-finals: J Kriek (US) bt N Odizor (Nigeria) 6-4, 6-4; B Teacher (US) bt L Bourne (US) 7-6, 6-4.

Britain face Bulgaria in cup

Sao Paulo (AP) – The draw for the first round of the women's team tournament for the Federation Cup, to be held here from July 15 to 22, was announced yesterday.

The event is being held for the first time in South America. Britain have been drawn against Bulgaria.

FIRST ROUND: United States v Mexico; Hungary v Switzerland; Spain v Austria; Canada v Italy; West Germany v China; Sweden v Brazil; Belgium v Colombia or Indonesia; Argentina v Australia; Yugoslavia v South Korea or Zimbabwe; Israel v Peru; Soviet Union v Uruguay or Taiwan; Bulgaria v Great Britain; France v Netherlands; Denmark v Chile or Philippines; Japan v Greece; Czechoslovakia v Venezuela or Portugal.

Clearing up grand slam doubts

By Rex Bellamy

Martina Navratilova comes to Wimbledon with a rare distinction to her credit. As champion of Wimbledon, the United States, Australia, and France, she is only the third woman to achieve a grand slam in singles. The others were Maureen Connolly (1953) and Margaret Court (1970). Miss Navratilova and Pam Shriver have also become the first team to complete a grand slam in women's doubles.

The latest edition of the International Tennis Federation's annual, *World of Tennis*, implies that there is still confusion about what constitutes a grand slam. For the first time in 16 issues Louise Brough has been added to the list of grand slam winners, on the basis that she won the French, Wimbledon, and United States doubles titles with Margaret du Pont in 1949 and the Australian title with Doris Hart in 1950.

This would be true only if the 1982 ITF definition of a grand slam was retroactive – in which case Miss Brough's would not be the only name added to the list. There is no justification whatever for rewriting history by regarding that 1982 definition as retroactive. Let us boil down the arguments to four basic points.

One: until 1972 the Australian championships had a fixed place in the calendar at the beginning of the year. There was a clear if unwritten understanding that a grand slam must be completed within a single calendar year: that is, between January 1 and December 31.

Two: that understanding of what formerly constituted a grand slam must be respected. The 1982 definition cannot be applied backwards.

Three: the issue was clouded by the fact that, after 197, there were nine occasions in 11 years when the Australian championships began in December and ended in January, thus overlapping two calendar years and making a grand slam logically impossible under the old system.

Four: it therefore made sense that a grand slam should consist simply of holding all four titles at the same time. This was the definition announced by the ITF in 1982, though their basic purpose was to bolster the declining status of the Australian event by giving the grand slam official recognition.

Ignoring those players who completed doubles "grand slams" with different partners, the feat was achieved under the old understanding only by Donald Budge, Rod Laver (twice), Miss Connolly, Mrs Court, Ken McGregor and Frank Sedgman (men's doubles), and Mrs Court and Ken Fletcher (mixed doubles). Miss Navratilova and Miss Shriver are the first winners under the 1982 definition. Let us have no more of these confused attempts to apply that definition to the past.

EQUESTRIANISM

Britain worthy runners-up to powerful Swiss

From Jenny MacArthur, Aachen

British Olympic show jumping hopes received the most powerful boost to date when the team of short-listed riders finished runners-up to Switzerland, the European champions, in the Nations Cup here yesterday after a neck-and-neck struggle which was resolved only in the final round.

The French, who, like the Swiss, were sporting their full Olympic team, finished third and the West German team, which contained their two top Olympic riders, Paul Schockemöhle and Peter Luther, could only reach fourth place.

Michael Whitaker on Overton Amanda and David Bowen on Boysie were the heroes of the British team. Both achieved double clear rounds and in doing so dispelled doubts about their Olympic capabilities. Steven Smith, the younger son of Harvey, also acquitted himself well on the Dutch-bred Shining Example, with just four faults in each round. John Whitaker, already assured of an Olympic place, had a clear round and then eight faults on St Mungo.

Ronnie Massarella, the Chef d'Equipe, could barely conceal his joy. While admitting that it would have been even better if Britain had beaten the Swiss this time – last year Britain were again second to Switzerland after a jump-off – the competition, he said, had underlined his confidence in the riders: "We came to Aachen, one of the toughest shows, to try out five of our Olympic short-listed riders, and they have all passed with flying colours." Gary Gillespie, the fifth rider, was not in yesterday's team but, riding Lorenzo, had impressed in the big competition the previous day.

With the two absent short-listed riders, Tony Newbery and the American based Tim Grubb, also still very much in the reckoning, Massarella admitted that the selectors now had a difficult job whittling the seven down to the final five.

At the end of the first round, Switzerland and Britain were leading with no faults, followed by the Australians, who are trained by Ted Edgar of the Everest Stud in Warwickshire, on a score of four. Switzerland's three clear rounds came from Bruno Candrian, who competed as an individual at Montreal in 1976, Heidi Robbiani with Jessica and Willi Melliger on Van Gogh. The last two were both members of the team which won the European championships last summer.

The second round developed into a contest between Britain and Switzerland as Australia failed to produce any clear rounds. Michael Whitaker, who had now exploded the myth that Amanda will not jump water ditches, had an effortless clear. Smith was unlucky to hit the final part of the treble. This put the pressure on Bowen, who had to go clear if Britain were to stay in the picture. Showing no sign of anxiety, he rode a confident balanced round on Boysie and collected the necessary clear round.

But the pressure intensified when Candrian produced the third clear round for Switzerland, which gave them a final score of zero (the best three out of the four scores count). Everything hinged on John Whitaker, riding last for Britain. But St Mungo, who has been going consistently well this year, failed to rise to this occasion. A pole down at fence eight and a foot in the water deprived Britain of ultimate glory.

NATIONS CUP: 1, Switzerland 0 faults; 2, Great Britain 4; 3, France 12; 4, West Germany 19; 5, Italy 20; 6, Australia 24; 7, The Netherlands 24.50.

GRAND PRIX: 1, Silbovitz (U Scholten-Baumer, WG), 1,668 pts; 2, Pascal (R Klimke, WG), 1,633; 3, Losander (G Grillo, WG), 1,585.

DRESSAGE: 1, Waldgerecht (C Boylen, Can) 495 pts; 2, Hava (De D'Esme, Fr), 475; equal 3, Dutch Gold (J Loriston-Clarke) and Jimmy Hofla (D De Pauw, Bel), 452.

GOLF

Punishing burden now on Trevino

From Mitchell Platts, Monaco

The problem facing Lee Trevino after the postponement of the £100,000 Monte Carlo Open second round here yesterday is that he will now be compelled to play 36 holes in one punishing day.

The tournament director, George O'Grady, had no option but to postpone play after only 50 minutes when swirling fog reduced visibility to less than 10 yards in places. Now the second round will take place today with the remaining two rounds, contested by the leading 50 players rather than, the usual 65, being played tomorrow.

Trevino, who had a first round of 68 to be two strokes behind the joint leaders, Michael McLean and Derrick Cooper, is worried that more than eight hours on the hilly Mont Agel course could place an intolerable strain on his troubled back.

"I've avoided playing 36 holes in one day in a tournament for more than five years," he said. "The only time I would usually consider playing more than 18 is when my wife Claudia insists that I give her a lesson. But I'm prepared to have a go on Sunday."

Trevino's back problem started soon after he was struck by lightning in the Western Open in 1975.

Now Trevino is using a portable muscle stimulator, operated by batteries and sending mild electric shocks which he claims stops the back muscles from going into spasms. Fuzzy Zoeller, who won the United States Open earlier this week, also suffers from a bad back and uses a similar machine.

FIRST ROUND (British unless stated): 66: D Cooper; M McLean. 67: P Fowler (Aus); I Aoki (Jap); R Chapman. 68: L Trevino (US), M Calero (Sp); J Rivero (Sp); G Cali (It); P Walton (Ire); I Mosey; B Gallacher. 69: D Frost (SA); I Baker-Finch (Aus); R Campagnoli (It); J Gonzalez (Br); J Bennett; G Cullen; P Barber; G Brand Snr. 70: O Moore (Aus); H Baiocchi (SA); T Britz (SA); R Davies (Aus); M Pinero (Sp); C Moody; A Oldcorn; S Martin; D Jones; A Murray; S Torrance; M Bembridge; E Polland; B Waites; C Mason.

Two women striking out in different company

By Lewine Mair

Kitrina Douglas, who incurred two penalty shots at the 10th – the first when she caught the ditch off the tee and the second when her ball disappeared into a bush – ended up with a share of the lead going into the last round of the UBM classic at Arcot Hall.

The level-par 71 she handed in gave her the same 217 aggregate as Alison Nicholas who, minutes earlier, had come home in 30 against the par of 36 for a 67 and a new course record.

Both Miss Douglas and Miss Nichols are newcomers to the professional game, with Miss Douglas having played five tournaments to Miss Nicholas's three. No one knew at the outset quite where these top amateurs would fit in – but one would wager that not too many among the more experienced WPGA players expected them to make such an impact so soon.

Miss Douglas won her first tournament and is leading the order of merit. Miss Nicholas finished fifth in her opening event and has already risen to twenty-second in the order.

Though Miss Douglas recognizes the need to pace herself in this new environment, neither she nor Miss Nicholas regrets making the transition. Indeed, there was a lovely moment when, after she had been asked if she was missing the various amateur team events, Miss Nicholas, the 1983 British strokeplay champion, cheerfully reminded her interrogator that she had never been picked for anything. Her homeward half yesterday consisted of four birdies and an eagle at the last, where her perfectly executed little chip rolled into the hole.

RESULTS: (Great Britain and Ireland names unless stated): 217: A Nicholas 75, 75, 67; K Douglas 71, 75, 71. 218: V Marvin 75, 75, 68. 220: D Reid 73, 76, 71; J Forest 73, 71, 76. 221: J Statham 72, 72, 77. 222: S Allison 72, 75, 75. 223: B Cooper 74, 73, 76. 224: C Langfor 75, 72, 77; R Comstock (US) 71, 76, 77. 225: J Connachan 75, 75, 75; K Ehrnlund (SWE) 74, 76, 75; P Conley (US) 74, 74, 77; J Smith 75, 71, 79; B Huke 72, 74, 79. 226: B Helbig (WG) 72, 78, 76. 227: E Glass (Zim) 75, 79, 73; J Lee Smith 75, 78, 74; N Hoins (US) 75, 78, 74; M Thomson 69, 77, 81, S Ferdon (US) 73, 77, 77. 228: M Walker 73, 75, 80.

FRENCH RACING

Champion display by Dawn Run

From Desmond Stoneham
Paris

Dawn Run put up one of the finest displays seen at Auteuil when she made every yard of the running to win the Grande Course de Haies d'Auteuil (French Champion Hurdle) in Paris yesterday. It was a performance that had experienced race-goers searching in vain for superlatives and the connexions of the beaten horses shaking their heads in disbelief.

Dawn Run started favourite after her pillar-to-post victory in the Prix la Barka on May 28 when several of yesterday's field, including Daniel Wildenstein's pair, World Citizen and Video Tape, had been in her wake.

Tony Mullins once again elected to go straight to the front, bold tactics indeed in a race of three miles and one and a half furlongs. At the first turn he led by eight lengths from Video Tape and Shawnee Light and from there on, the £41,000 first prize always looked in safe keeping.

The crowd were buzzing when, with a circuit to go, Dawn Run jumped the "Haie de Pavillion" for the second time 15 lengths clear. Minor errors at the next two hurdles enabled World Citizen and Video Tape to narrow the gap to eight lenghts with six furlongs left.

The voluble Irish contingent were never seriously worried and to a volley of cheers, Dawn Run turned into the final straight with her lead



Paddy Mullins

intact. After running wide between the last two flights to get to the stands rail, she continued her relentless gallop all the way to the line.

At the post Dawn Run a six lengths clear of Mister Jack, who had made remorseless progress from the final turn. A further three lengths away came Salute. Dawn Run was full of running at the finish and her time was only a fraction over six minutes. Tony Mullins eased Dawn Run when victory was certain otherwise she would have won by more.

No praise can be too high for Dawn Run's connexions, who approached Auteuil with the philosophy that anything was a bonus after her victories at Cheltenham and Aintree.

Plans for Dawn Run are fluid, but she will definitely be rested. Mrs Charmian Hill, her owner, said: "She will go chasing," but Paddy Mullins, her trainer, was more cautious and is making no firm decision for the moment. One thing is certain: all being well, Dawn Run will return to Auteuil next year and attempt to follow in the footsteps of Wild Risk, Hardatit and Palmu, the only horses to have landed the double since the war.

● Tim Thomson Jones made it a double celebration for the visitors when winning the next race, the £7,426 Prix Maréchal Foch, a steeple chase for amateur riders, on Misto.

Grande Course de Haies d'Auteuil (3m 1½f hdle): 1, DAWN RUN (A Mullins); 2, Mister Jack (D Leblond); 3, Salute (J-M Lefebvre). ALSO RAN: World Citizen (4th), Video Tape (5th), Network (6th), Saidir, Shawnee Light, Brouhaha, Golas, 10 ran. 6l, 3l, 5l, nk, 3l. P Mullins, in Ireland. (Tote one franc stake): 2.20; 1.50, 2.30, 2.50. DF: 18.40. 6min 02sec.

Mourjane to thwart Adonijah

By Desmond Stoneham

There is a strong British presence at Longchamp tomorrow and some visitors should be capable of finishing in the frame. The feature events are the Grand Prix de Paris, in which I select Woolskin, and the Prix d'Ispahan, which I think will go to Mourjane.

In the Prix de Malleret my choice is Princesse d'Elide to beat Glowing With Pride, the English runner, and Diamada should prove capable of winning the Prix de la Porte Maillot.

This afternoon's five-furlong Prix du Bis at Longchamp may be won by Noblequest, who was most impressive when making his racing debut. Odd Man Out represents Britain in this event.

Woolskin finished a fair fifth in the Prix du Jockey Club and will certainly appreciate the extra distance of the 15-furlong Grand Prix, in which the English opposition is strong. Paul Kelleway saddles Media Luna, who ran second to Circus Plume in the Oaks, and the Derby fourth, At Talaq, will also be in the line-up in the hands of Tony Murray. At Talaq will have the assistance of a pacemaker, As Sakab.

Ian Balding will saddle Spicy Story, who was recently third under top weight to Braka and Rough Pearl in the Roseberry Memorial Handicap at Epsom. Lester Piggott rides Lashkari for the Aga Khan and he too will have a chance.

Piggott also rides Adonijah for Henry Cecil in the Prix d'Ispahan. When last in France, this pair were third to Romildo and Sagace in the Prix Ganay. Since that performance Adonijah has won twice, on the most recent occasion landing the Diomed Stakes at Epsom.

Conditions should be perfect for Mourjane, who was narrowly beaten by his pacemaker, Mourtazam, in the Prix Dollar. André Fabré will not only saddle this pair, but also Crystal Glitters and Milles Balles.

Princesse d'Elide and Glowing With Pride filled fifth and sixth places, respectively, in the Prix de Diane Hermès, and these two fillies should fight out the Prix de Malleret.

Diamada was unlucky when fourth to Harlow, Nikos and Parioli in the Prix du Palais Royal and he should be capable of taking the Prix de la Porte Maillot from Redmead and the English challenger, Never So Bold.

CRICKET

Northants hopes dashed by Willey

By Peter Ball

HARROGATE: Leicestershire beat Northamptonshire by 49 runs.

Everything Leicestershire touch at the moment is turning to gold – or in the case of the Tilcon Trophy, to silver. With Willey, Gower and Whitaker all amassing runs so quickly that the scoreboard gave up in despair, they ended Northamptonshire's hopes of retaining the Trophy for a third year.

It will surprise no one to learn that the mainspring behind Leicestershire's final imposing total of 280 was provided by Peter Willey, who has shown a marked taste for his former county's bowlers. Willey had already scored 88 not out and 104 against them and now, coming in at a dangerous time, he quickly took charge, hitting two sixes and nine fours in a savage display, scoring 95 in 99 minutes.

Willey's contribution was more important than had seemed likely early on, thanks to the intervention of his fellow off-spinner/batsman Richard Williams. Williams had least had the personal satisfaction of wresting the man of the match award from his former colleagues but even his almost single-handed efforts were not enough to turn the tide Northamptonshire's way.

With Whitaker accelerating from a steady start, Leicestershire quickly looked set for a big total and when Gower arrived in his most effortless vein to upstage his partner, a mammoth one seemed likely.

Forty runs later, having completed his 50, Whitaker followed trying to hit Steele over the besieged sponsor's tent. At lunch the off-spinner came off with the almost incredible figures for a slow bowler in a festival match of 9-3-10-3.

But as the blustery wind bit deeper, Northamptonshire's satisfaction did not survive much longer.

LEICESTERSHIRE	
I P Butcher c Cook b Wild	16
J J Whitaker c Lamb b Steele	50
*D I Gower b Williams	45
P Willey c Cook b Griffiths	95
T J Boon c Larkins b Williams	2
M Haysman l-b-w b Williams	3
N E Briers c Steele b Cook	31
†M A Garnham b Walker	12
G J Parsons not out	14
P B Clift not out	1
Extras (b 2, l-b 6, n-b 3)	11
Total (8 wkts, 55 overs)	280

N G B Cook did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-59, 2-118, 3-118, 4-145, 5-149, 6-222, 7-265, 8-269.

BOWLING: Walker 9-1-31-1; Griffiths 8-0-24-1; Mallender 4-0-41-0; Wild 10-0-50-1; Williams 11-3-22-3; Steele 11-0-60-1; Cook 4-0-31-1.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE	
*G Cook c Parsons b Briers	45
W Larkins c Haysman b Parsons	17
D J Wild b Willey	22
A J Lamb c Boon b Cook	38
R G Williams c Willey b Parsons	78
R J Bailey c Briers b Cook	0
D S Steele c and b Clift	4
†G Sharp c Willey b Parsons	8
N A Mallender c Parsons b Clift	0
A Walker c Garnham b Clift	2
B J Griffiths not out	0
Extras (l-b 13, w 3, n-b 1)	17
Total (53 overs)	231

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-46, 2-80, 3-108, 4-177, 5-177, 6-190, 7-225, 8-229, 9-231, 10-231.

BOWLING: Parsons 10-2-32-3; Clift 10-1-54-3; Briers 11-2-51-1; Willey 11-0-20-1; Cook 8-1-42-2; Haysman 3-0-15-0.

Umpires: D R Shepherd and J W Holder.

Players in the wars and those ready for action

By Ivo Tennant

Andy Lloyd, England's opening batsman, has been discharged from hospital where he had been under observation for eight days after a blow on the head in the first Test. It is not yet known when he will be fit to start playing again.

Other crickets are in the wars. Leicestershire, the county championship leaders, will be without Cobb, another opener, for their important match today against Nottinghamshire, who are second in the table. He broke a bone in a hand while fielding earlier this week. However, his county can still afford to leave out Balderstone, as Gower and Cook are back after Test duty.

It is always a surprise to hear that Knott, Kent's wicketkeeper, is injured or ill. Has there ever been a fitter cricketer? He is down with mumps, and is replaced by Marsh (not Rodney, but talented none the less) for the county's match at Derby.

In contrast, two Northamptonshire players have recovered from injury, Hanley, the South African, and Boyd-Moss, who broke a thumb last month. Both are included for their county's match against Yorkshire. Le Roux, od Sussex, is also fit again, having been suffering from groin trouble.

To return to the first Test: it will be recalled that Miller avoided injury from the short-pitched ball, even if when dismissed in England's second innings he was hit on glove and helmet. Yet he is a doubtful starter for his county, Derbyshire, today. He has been receiving physiotherapy after cricking his back digging the garden.

Second XI competition

LEAMINGTON SPA: Warwickshire 255 for 1 dec (G J Lord 156 not out, Asif Din 78) and 197 (R A Pick 6 for 57); Nottinghamshire 213 for 4 dec (A B Henschell 65 not out) and 98 for 3. Match drawn.

OMBERSLEY: Somerset 316 for 8 dec (R L Ollis 110, N A Felton 73, D A Banks 4 for 58) and 237 for 7 dec (Felton 54, S C Booth 53); Worcestershire 258 (D A Banks 84, G V Palmer 7 for 88) and 116 (J W Lloyds 4 for 11). Somerset won by 178 runs.

BLACKPOOL: Derbyshire 173 and 245 (R Sharma 52, I Folley 4 for 51); Lancashire 478 for 7 dec (D W Varey 244 not out, H Pilling 181). Lancashire won by an innings and 56.

Halliday gets his head down

From George Ace

DUBLIN: Ireland drew with the West Indians

Sunshine and showers provided frustration on the second and final day of the match between Ireland and the West Indies at Rathmines yesterday.

Nevertheless it provided a memorable occasion for Ireland's leg spinner and tail-end batsman, Michael Halliday. Making his fifty-fifth appearance, he batted the way all good nightwatchmen should: head down, straight bat and right behind the line to score 43 runs his highest in international competition.

Halliday, who joined the opener Jack Short when Ireland had lost two wickets for six runs late on *Thursday* evening, was still there when rain caused the first of four interruptions after an hour and 20 minutes' play. Ireland had progressed to 53 without further loss, with Halliday on 25 and Short 20.

Harper eventually ended Halliday's gallant knock when he had him caught at short leg by Dujon. His innings lasted 118 minutes, during which he faced 89 balls and hit six fours.

This stubborn third-wicket stand, allied to the weather, ensured that a draw would be entered in the record books. Short reached his half century before being stumped by Payne off the bowling of Harper – a fine innings in which he withstood 156 balls in 174 minutes and hit six fours.

Greenidge kept Garner under wraps until late in the afternoon, but the big man thrilled his legions of admirers, who swooped on him every time he left the pavilion and accompanied him all the way to his fielding position at square leg. He contributed six overs, four of which were maidens, and took one wicket for six runs.

WEST INDIANS: First Innings 584 for 8 dec (H A Gomes 153, A L Logie 129, P B Richardson 78, T R O Payne 73, R A Harper 64, C G Greenidge 54).

IRELAND: First Innings	
J F Short st Payne b Harper	54
D G Dennison c Harper b Small	2
R T Will c Payne b Small	2
M Halliday c Dujon b Harper	43
D A E Lewis c Garner b Gomes	0
J A Prior l-b-w b Garner	15
G D Harrison st Payne b Harper	9
*J D Monteith st Payne b Harper	0
S C Corlett c Haynes b Greenidge	8
†P B Jackson not out	25
A S Jeffrey not out	12
Extras (b 7, l-b 5, w 3, n-b 2)	17
Total (9 wkts)	187

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-3, 2-6, 3-87, 4-91, 5-124, 6-134, 7-134, 8-139, 9-154.

BOWLING: Small, 9-4-15-2; Walsh, 14-8-16-0; Harper, 18-3-68-4; Baptiste, 3-1-3-0; Gomes, 9-1-24-0; Dujon, 1-0-6-0; Garner, 6-4-6-1; Richardson, 5-2-9-0; Greenidge, 3-0-22-1.

YACHTING

KIEL, West Germany: International Regatta: Flying Dutchman: Final Standings: 1, A Abascal and Noguer (Sp) 19.4 points, 2, A Schwarz and P Froeschl (WG) 22.0, 3, J Mosller-Bojsen and J Mosller-Bojsen (Den) 27.7. SOLING: Final Standings: 1, R Haines Wang (Nor) 39.7. STARBOAT: Final Standings: 1, H Raudaschl and K Ferstl (Austria) 20.0 pts; 2, G Gorla and A Parabone (It) 20.7; 3, J Griese and M Narcour (WG) 32.7. FINN DINGHY: Final Standings: 1, L Hjortnaes (Den) 16.7 pts; 2, J Blanco (Sp) 27.4; 3, J Lindhardtsen (Den) 44.7. 470 DINGHIES: Final Standings: 1, W Hunger and J Hunger 8.7 pts; 2, J Stavenuiter and G Van Alkemade (Neth) 40.1; 3, D Pepponet and P Claude (Fr) 63.7. BOARD SAILING: Final Standings: 1, K Maran (It) 9.0 pts; 2, S van den Berg (Neth) 11.4; 3, G Hyde (Aus) 16.0. 5, D Hackford (GB) 39.7

TORNADO: Final Standings: 1, P Und and T Ekstroem (Den) 11.4 pts; 2, C Laus and H Bruner (Aust) 22.0; 3, J Spengler and J Jensch (WG) 36.4.

TENNIS

MILAN: International Under-16 tournament: Men's quarter-finals: P Roldan (Arg) bt A Baldoni (It) 6-3, 6-4; R Hertzog (Switz) bt D Grammaticopolo (It) 6-0, 6-1; L Nemecek (Cz) bt J Sanchez 6-3, 6-2; F Davin (Arg) bt Chinellato 6-3, 3-6, 6-4. Women's semi-finals: H Dahlström (Swe) bt R Zrubakova (Cz) 6-4, 6-2; P Taravini (Arg) bt L Jachia (It) 6-0, 6-3.

RUGBY UNION

Mudbath may mar French revenge

Auckland (Reuter) – Heavy rain which has fallen here over the past few days could bog down France's hopes of gaining revenge against New Zealand in today's second intrnational match. The French touring side, anxious to erase bitter memories of their 9-10 defeat last weekend, have made several changes, but heavy going at the Eden Park ground could decide the outcome of the two-match series.

Jean-Patrick Lescarboura, who wept after missing four dropped goal attempts in the last six minutes of the first international, said yesterday the wet was a "bad sign for France".

"We have trained well but the All Blacks know now how we play and they handle the wet conditions much better than we do," he said.

The French captain Dintrans played in his country's 24-19 victory over the All Blacks at Eden Park in 1979, as did Haget, Joinel, Cordoniou and Blanco. Dintrans believes this team is better than the 1979 squad.

NEW ZEALAND: A Hewson, J Kirwan, S Pokere, W Taylor, B Smith, W Smith, A Donald, M Mexted, J Hobbs, G Whetton, A Haden, M Shaw, G Knight, A Dalton (Capt), J Ashworth.

FRANCE: S Blanco, P Lagisquet, D Cordoniou, P Sella, P Estève, J-P Lescarboura, P Berbizier, J-L Joinel, J Gratton, P Haget, J Condom, L Rodriguez, J-P Garuet, P Dintrans (Capt), P Dospital.

RUGBY UNION: Plymouth Albion are considering moving to a new sports complex at Roborough, about six miles from the city centre, because there is only one pitch at their Beacon Park ground. The move would cost £250,000.

YACHTING

Weathering the change

By John Nicholls

In spite of sailing conditions being quite different from the previous day, the race leaders were remarkably similar when the Open Level Rating championships continued in the Solent yesterday. The threequarter-tonner Savage, sailed by Patrick Pym, won both races yesterday, though her overall record was marred by being penalized on protest after finishing first in the second race on Thursday. Oddjob (Peter Morton and Paul Treliving) also scored two wins in the quarter-ton class.

In the more numerous half-ton class the same three boats were placed in both races, with Flash (Lawrie Smith) and Ace (Nick Maris) each winning and Balthazar (Phil Crebbin) second both times.

Today the level rating boats join 1,100 others in the annual race round the Isle of Wight.

RESULTS: (subject to protest): Third race: Threequarter-ton: 1, Savage (P Pym); 2, Bathsheba (Sir M Laing); 3, Juno (M Peacock). Half-ton: 1, Ace (N Maris); 2, Balthazar (P Crebbin); 3, Flash (L Smith). Quarter-ton: 1, Oddjob (P Morton); 2, Hannah (H Sellars); 3, Diamond (P Sanders). Fourth race: Threequarter-ton: 1 Savage; 2, Street Legal (P Worthington); 3 Oblivion Express (C Stow). Half-ton: 1, Flash; 2, Balthazar; 3, Ace. Quarter-ton: Oddjob; 2, Diamond; 3, Ace of Yorkshire (J Holmes).

● Kiel, West Germany (Reuter) – Klaus Maran, of Italy, took the boardsailing title at the Kiel Regatta yesterday six weeks before the class is contested for the first time at Olympic level. Maran pushed the Dutch world champion, Stephan van den Berg, into second place

IN BRIEF

Extra Chinese incentives to strike gold

Peking (AP) – If they win a gold medal, Chinese athletes at the Olympic Games will get television sets, tape recorders or other prizes of their choice, worth 3,000 yuan (about £1,000).

The world champion gymnast, Li Ning, asked what gifts he would select if he wins, replies: "My first choice is the gold medal."

MOTOR RACING: Michele Alboreto (Italy), who hopes to repeat his victory of last year, in the Detroit Grand Prix, said that the outstanding 1984 record of the McLaren team, Alain Prost (France) and Niki Lauda (Austria), makes them the ones to beat in tomorrow's third grand prix staged there.

MOTOR CYCLING: Mark Walsham (Chesterfield) won the 113¼-mile Manx international road race over three laps of the Isle of Man TT course in squally showers and strong headwinds. Riding for England, he won by 48sec from Chris Wharton (Dudley), riding for Great Britain. Dino Davie (Wilmslow) was third.

MOTOR CYCLING

Latest Honda for Haslam at Donington

By Michael Scott

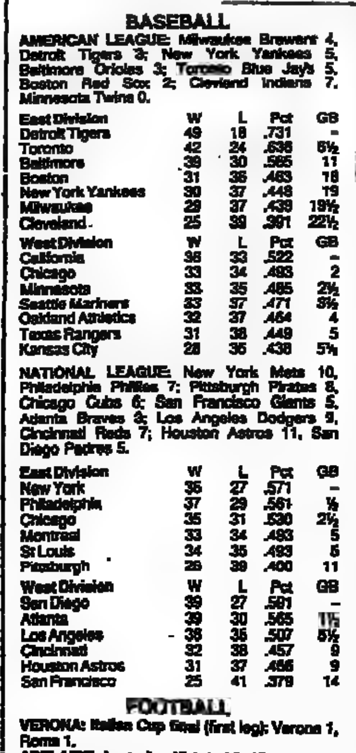
Ron Haslam tested Freddie Spencer's grand prix Honda at Donington Park circuit yesterday and plans to race the 500cc V4 machine there for the first time today.

Haslam rode Honda's latest weapon, only three of which have been built, in practice for last weekend's Yugoslav Grand Prix, but today's televised *World of Sport* Superbike Challenge is his first chance to riding the 140bhp racer in anger. Other races today include rounds of the British 250cc, 500cc and sidecar championships.

Haslam won the last *World of Sport* race and leads the championship. His main opposition will probably come from Wayne Gardner, his British-based fellow Honda rider, eager to prove his ability to beat the Grand Prix stars. Other top runners include Roger Marshall and Joey Dunlop (Honda), and Mick Grant, Graham Wood and Gary Lingham (Suzuki).

FOR THE RECORD

BASEBALL



AMERICAN LEAGUE: Milwaukee Brewers 4, Detroit Tigers 3; New York Yankees 5, Baltimore Orioles 3; Toronto Blue Jays 5, Boston Red Sox 2; Cleveland Indians 7, Minnesota Twins 0.

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit Tigers	49	18	.731	–
Toronto	42	24	.636	6½
Baltimore	39	30	.565	11
Boston	31	36	.463	18
New York Yankees	30	37	.448	19
Milwaukee	29	37	.439	19½
Cleveland	25	39	.391	22½

West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
California	36	33	.522	–
Chicago	33	34	.493	2
Minnesota	33	35	.485	2½
Seattle Mariners	33	37	.471	3½
Oakland Athletics	32	37	.464	4
Texas Rangers	31	38	.449	5
Kansas City	28	36	.438	5½

NATIONAL LEAGUE: New York Mets 10, Philadelphia Phillies 7; Pittsburgh Pirates 8, Chicago Cubs 6; San Francisco Giants 5, Atlanta Braves 3; Los Angeles Dodgers 3, Cincinnati Reds 7; Houston Astros 11, San Diego Padres 5.

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	36	27	.571	–
Philadelphia	37	29	.561	½
Chicago	35	31	.530	2½
Montreal	33	34	.493	5
St Louis	34	35	.493	5
Pittsburgh	26	39	.400	11

West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
San Diego	39	27	.591	–
Atlanta	39	30	.565	1½
Los Angeles	38	35	.507	5½
Cincinnati	32	38	.457	9
Houston Astros	31	37	.456	9
San Francisco	25	41	.379	14

FOOTBALL

VERONA: Italian Cup final (first leg): Verona 1, Roma 1.

ADELAIDE: Australian XI 1, Iraklis (Greece) 3.

ATHLETICS

KIEV: Women's 400 metre hurdles: M Ponomareva (USSR) 53.58 sec (World record).

YACHTING

NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND: The Observer single handed transatlantic race: Handicap results: 1, Y Fauconnier (Fr) trimaran, Umupro Jardin V 16days 6hr 25min; 2, P Poupon (Fr) trimaran, Fleury Michon VI 16:11:56; 3, M Pajot (Fr) catamaran, Elf Aquitaine 2 16:12:18; 4, E Tabarly (Fr) trimaran, Paul Ricard 16:14:21; 5, P Phillips (GB) trimaran, Travacrest Seaway 16:17:25; 6, D Gilard (Fr) trimaran, Hentas 16:17:51; 7, O Moussy (Fr) trimaran, Region Centre 16:18:46; 8, B Peyron (Fr) catamaran, L'aigion 16:19:50; 9, F Boucher (Fr) trimaran, Ker Cadelac 16:21:28; 10, W Luhrs (US) monohull, Thursday's Child 16:22:27; 11, V Levy (Fr) catamaran, Ker Marine 17:03:55; 12, D Gilksman (Fr) trimaran, St Marc 17:21:47; 13, J Martin (SA) monohull, Voortrekker 17:22:02; 14, J Petith (US) trimaran, Dest. St Croix 18:09:02; 15, D Mandulegny (Fr) trimaran, Cosa Basque 18:11:01; 16, V le Cornec (Fr) trimaran, Idenek 18:12:30. O Moussy wins class 2, J Petith class 3.

CYCLING

Isle of Man: Manx International road race: (113¼ miles; GB unless stated): 1, M Walsham 5hr 2min 9sec; 2, G Wharton 5:2:57; 4, G Thompson (Ire) 5:2:57; 5, S Downey (Ire) 5:3:21; 6, O Goossens (Bel) 5:3:21. Team: Ireland (G Thompson, S Downey, D Gardiner) 17pts.

ZURICH: Tour of Switzerland: Final stage (Baden to Zurich, 208.5km): 1, W Baumgartner (Switz), 5hr 39min 10sec; 2, S Heldmi (Switz), 17:57 min behind; 3, U Freuler (Switz), 19.25 behind: Final standings: 1, U Zimmerman (Switz) 38hr 18min 48sec; 2, A Da Silva, (Por), 2:18 behind; 3, G Zadrobilek (Austria) 2:42; 4, S Kelly (Ire), 5:47; 5, P Anderson (Aus), 5:58; 6, B Breu (Switz), 6:03; 7, H Meier (Austria), 6:30; 8, L Wellens (Bel), 8:37; 9, G Veldscholten (Neth) 13:14; 10, C Savini (It), 15:27.

GOLF

ATLANTA: Classic tournament: First round leaders (US unless stated): 64: M Donald; 66: C Peete; 67: M Sullivan, F Fuhrer; 68: B Gardner, R Caldwell, C Thorpe, B Bryant, L Elder, M Hayes, J Fought, D Pooley. Other scores: 72: G Norman (Aus), D Watson (SA). 73: K C Liao (Taiwan), R Alarcon (Mex). 74: M McNulty (SA). B Shearer (Aus); 77: N Faldo (GB), W Grady (Aus).

OHIO: Senior tournament: First round leaders (US unless stated): 66: P Thomson (Aus), B Crosby, R Russell; 69: B Rosburg; 70: G Lanning, D January, J Ferree, M Fetchick. Other scores: 73: R de Vicenzo (Arg).

DANVERS, Massachusetts: Women's LPGA tournament: First round leaders (US unless stated): 65: L Rinker; 68: J Bertsch, L Stroney; 69: K Doughert. Other scores: 73: C Panton (GB).

POLO

GUARDS CLUB: Mountbatten Cup, semi-final: Saracens 8, The Life Guards 5½. Royal Windsor Cup, semi-finals: Windsor Park 6, Diables Bleus 2½; The BB's 5, Stilemans 3.

BASKETBALL

TAIPEI: William Jones Cup: Canada 61, Malaysia 43; Taiwan 74, Brazil 55.

RACING: CAUTHEN HAS LAST-DAY DOUBLE AT ROYAL ASCOT BUT CHAMPION JOCKEY RETAINS RITZ TROPHY

Arbuthnot to land prize catch with Padre Pio

By Mandarin (Michael Phillips)

David Arbuthnot, in only his third year as a trainer, has a good chance of landing his biggest catch to date with Padre Pio (Nap) in the Steel Plate and Sections Victory Cup at Ascot today. Unbeaten this season, Padre Pio was particularly impressive at Redcar 12 days ago when he stormed home by five lengths carrying 9st 5lb.

Obviously today's race represents a much harder assignment, yet all the indications are that he is an improving horse and one glance through this week's *Racing Calendar* was enough to show that he will never be so well handicapped again. Even with a 7lb penalty he will be meeting others on noticeably better terms than he will in the future.

Arbuthnot was particularly pleased to hear that the course was being watered after racing had finished yesterday in readiness for today's programme, because he did not relish the going being like a road this afternoon. Nevertheless, his horse has already won on firmish ground this season, so he should cope.

Follow Me Follow, Clantime, Crosby Hill and Yallah look the pick of his opposition. Follow Me Follow ran an immensely promising race at Sandown Park when she finished fourth behind Susa Steel, Derry River and Stafs Anna, but even she may not be able to give a stone to my nap, who is clearly on the upgrade and at the right end of the handicap.

What ever else happens, Crosby Hill ought to beat Yallah again. They will be meeting on the same terms as they did when they clashed last at Sandown only a week ago.

The Churchill Stakes promises to be an intriguing race, even though there are only five runners. In Geoff Lewis's care, Dealaway has done nothing but improve this season and he was especially impressive at Epsom when he gave Caro's Gift – who is not without a good chance of winning the 2.0 at Ayr this afternoon – 16lbs and a seven length thrashing.

However, in this instance I still prefer The Miller from Vincent O'Brien's meticulously run yard in County Tipperary. The Miller has won over 13 furlongs at The Curragh already this season, so he is guaranteed to see out today's distance without flinching.

Cherry Hill is the horse who lost a race that he ought to have won at York in May in sensational circumstances when Willie Carson dropped his hands and got caught napping.

Hannah Lightfoot, my selection for the High Yield Steel Stakes has been covered by the stallion **Kind of Hush** this year and already tested in foal. Last year she was rather highly strung but impending motherhood seems to have had a calming effect and she could not have won her first race of this season at Yarmouth more easily.

Last season she finished fourth to Jupiter Island, His Honour and Wonderful Surprise in the Autumn Cup at Newbury and it is not hard to envisage her being too good for her opponents this afternoon on today's terms.

I thought that Seattle Rose ran well enough in the Ebbisham Stakes at Epsom to suggest that she will continue the better run currently being enjoyed by Seven Barrows in the Fern Hill Stakes.

Watch Tower, who finished fourth behind Old Bailey in the Coventry Stakes on Thursday, looks the one to be on for the Philip Cornes Nickel Alloys Stakes at Redcar. Philip Robinson, who is very much the man in form, with his confidence boosted by those exhilarating rides on Katies and Pebbles, can win the Hansa Lager Sprint Cup on the top weight, All Is Forgiven.

Followers of Jimmy Fitzgerald, that popular Irishman currently training with such success in Yorkshire, enjoyed a good touch when Kayudee won the Ascot Stakes on Tuesday. Today they could collect agian at Ayr if Singing High runs as well in the Long John Scotch Whisky Handicap as she did at York last Saturday.

Finally, Silent Sun (7.35) must be the banker bet for the evening meeting at Warwick. At Newbury recently she was trying to give weight to Ballinderry, who then went on to win the Ribblesdale Stakes at Royal Ascot.

Flying Habibti sweeps Carson to crown

By Michael Seely

Habibti retained her European champion sprinter's crown by the narrowest of margins after winning the King's Stand Stakes at Royal Ascot yesterday. Making up five lengths in the last furlong and a half, Willie Carson and the 5-4 on favourite mastered Lester Piggott and Anita's Prince in the final stride to gain the day by a short head. Sayf El Arab, last year's winner, finished third, two lengths away.

Pandemonium reigned before the result of the photo-finish was announced. The general opinion was that Habibti had been beaten. Carson rode straight into the enclosure reserved for the second: "If I've won, it's only by a whisker. Five furlongs is much too sharp for Habibti nowdays."

Piggott made for the winner's circle. Anita's Prince's trainer, Richard Lister commented: Lester said he doesn't know. It's very close." Thunderous cheers then greeted the announcement that Habibti had prevailed. The 34-year-old Wexford handler took the blow straight on the chin. "Piggott got a marvellous run from my colt. I'm well satisfied."

Habibti is now undefeated since finishing unplaced behind L'Attrayante in the Goffs Irish 1,000 Guineas last May. During this period she has won the July Cup, the William Hill Sprint Championship, the Vernon's Sprint Cup and the Prix de l'Abbaye at Longchamp. On the last of these occasions, also over the minimum distance, the flying filly was fully extended to beat Soba. "Habibti will now go straight to Newmarket to try and repeat her win in the July Cup," John Dunlop said.

The fight for Ritz Club Trophy for the leading jockey of the meeting dominated the final day. Steve Cauthen dramatically forced his way into the picture by landing a double on Sea Falcon and Khalpour. Carson then clinched the issue for the second season running, his win on Habibti giving the reigning champion jockey four victories during the four days. Just as in 1983, Cauthen finished second with three successes to his credit.

The Windsor Castle Stakes saw a thrilling duel between Cauthen on Sea Falcon and Tony Ives on Durham Place before a photo finish showed that the American had won by a head. This victory gave Peter Makin a remarkable double, the Marlborough trainer having also won the Queen Mary Stakes on Wednesday with Hi-Tech Girl.

The Hardwicke Stakes is always one of the highlights of the meeting, and this year's running of the group two mile-and-a-half test proved to be no exception. In the absence of Teenoso, Lester Piggott and Jupiter Island looked like landing a public gamble when moving into the lead a furlong and a half from home. But Cauthen the persuaded Khalpour to fight back and win by one and a half lengths.

"Khalpour stays well," the jockey said afterwards. "And when Walter Swinburn's saddle slipped on Dazari about five from home, I thought I'd better make a break for it." This victory gave Fulke Johnson Houghton his second success of the meeting, the Blewberry trainer also having captured the Queen's Vase on Wednesday with Baynoun.

"Khairpour deserved a race like this," the trainer said. "The five-year-old has been placed in both the Ormonde Stakes and the Yorkshire Cup this season alone. The Aga Kan has just sold Khairpour. He's been bought by Garry Chittick. Khairpour will be sent to stand in stud in New Zealand in about a month's time, to be there for the start of their covering season."

Geoffrey Wragg was fined £350 for withdrawing both Teenoso and Mill Plantation from the Hardwicke. Bill O'Gorman was penalised £225 for taking out Superlative from the King's Stand Stakes. The authorities said that, although they sympathized with both trainers' decisions to withdraw because of the firm going, they felt that they had no alternative

The biggest gamble of the meeting, the six-furlong Wokingham Stakes, resulted in a popular victory when Bruce Raymond bought Petong with a stunning late run to defy 9st 6lb. Entering the last furlong Amarone was sailing along with a clear advantage, but when the jockey found a clear run on Petong, this much-improved four-year-old passed eight horses

Luca Cumani had his first victory of the four days when Darrel McHargue brought Torwar home four lengths ahead of Courting Season in the Britannia Stakes. This was an amazing margin by which to win such a competitive three-year-old handicap



Grey day: Petong leads 27 rivals home in yesterday's Wokingham Stakes at Royal Ascot (Photograph Ian Stewart).

ASCOT (BBC)

[Televised: 2.0, 2.30, 3.0]

GOING: firm

Draw advantage: 8f over (round) high numbers best

Tote: double 3.0, 4.10: treble 2.30, 3.35, 4.40

2.0 ERROLL STAKES (2-y-o: £6,565: 6f) (7 runners)

105 3 AL-YABIR (H Al-Maktoum) C Benstead 8-11 B Rouse 3
107 03 ARTIST RIFLE (B Munro-Wilson) R Simpson 8-11 S Cauthen 5
108 BILLY WHITESHOES (R Sangster) J Hindley 8-11 B Thomson 1
114 PHARDANTE (S Karmel) G Harwood 8-11 G Starkey 4
115 02 SPECIALLY VAGUE (B) (Mrs C Orme) Mrs J Ramsey 8-11 L Piggott 2
116 3 SULAAFAH (H Al-Maktoum) Thomson Jones 8-11 A Murray 6
117 LIZARRA (Marquess de Moratalla) B Hobbs 8-8 G Baxter 1

1983: Vacarme 8-11 L Piggott (9-4 fav) H Cecil 12 ran.

5-2 Sulaafah, 3 Al-Yabir, 9-2 Phardante, 6 Specially Vague, 8 Artist Rifle, 10 Lizarra, 12 Billy Whiteshoes, 20 others.

FORM: AL-YABIR (9-0) 4½l 3rd of 19 to Sergeant Gerrard (9-0) (Newbury 6f, £3044, good to firm, June 14). ARTIST RIFLE (9-11) kept up same pace, 3½l 3rd of 5 to Provider (9-1) (Folkestone 5f, £2578, good, June 4). SPECIALLY VAGUE (9-0) neck 2nd of 11 to Tickly Bender (9-0) (Newmarket 5f, £2958, good to soft, June 1). SULAAFAH (9-0) 2½l 3rd of 22 to Great Reef (9-0) (Doncaster 6f, £1449, good to soft, May 28).

Selection: SULAAFAH

3.0 STEEL PLATE & SECTIONS VICTORY CUP HANDICAP (3-y-o: £10,137: 5f) (16)

306 0-42136 CLANTIME (D) (Clantime Ltd) J Berry 9-4 K Darley 1
307 121-000 TIME MACHINE (D) (T Waterman) J Winter 9-4 G Starkey 8
309 30-2409 HILTON BROWN (D) (Lord McAlpine) P Cundell 9-3 S Whitworth 7 5
310 10-0120 MIAMI PRINCE (C Wates) P Cole 9-0 T Quinn 3
311 00-3000 DUNANT (D) (W Gredley) C Brittain 8-12 L Piggott 10
312 00-1334 DARING DISPLAY (D) (Lord McAlpine) G Hunter 8-11 T Williams 5 4
313 040-220 HOLT ROW (D) (G Cooke) M McCormack 8-10 S Cauthen 12
314 2224-42 YALLAH (M Dabaghi) W O'Gorman 8-8 T Ives 15
315 0-10 TARQUIN (D,B) (BF) (T Warner) A Hide 8-8 J Mercer 2
316 03-11 PADRE PIO (D) (Mrs G Ward) D Arbuthnot 8-5 (7 ex) M Hills 7
317 11-0012 CROSBY HILL (D) (A Reynolds) K Brassey 8-5 (7 ex) B Rouse 16
318 0-10000 NATIVE HERO (D,B) (F Garvin) P Mitchell 8-2 A McGlone 6
319 00-2132 DEALT (D) (Lady Clarwilliam) J Toller 8-0 A Mackay 14

Ascot selections

By Mandarin

2.0 Sulaafah. 2.30 Hannah Lighfoot. 3.0 PADRE PIO (nap). 3.35 The Miller. 4.10 Seattle Rose. 4.40 Graecia Magna.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

2.0 Sulaafah. 2.30 Hannah Lightfoot. 3.0 Dealt. 3.35 King of Naples. 4.10 Miralove. 4.40 Al Bahathri.

By Michael Seely

3.0 PADRE PIO (nap). 4.40 Silver Dollar.

2.30 HIGH YIELD STEEL HANDICAP (£6,264: 2m) (7)

201 4-00004 CURRENT RAISER (Lord Matthews) C Brittain 4-8-10 T Ives 2
202 1100-13 DANCING AFFAIR (Mrs G Strawbridge) I Balding 4-9-8 S Cauthen 7
203 41023-4 WEAVER'S PIN (D) (Mrs M Francis) M Francis 7-9-6 Paul Eddery 4
204 120010 FORTUNE'S GUEST (D,B) (V Advani) R Simpson 4-8-13 (3 ex) S Whitworth 7 5
205 000200 MORGANS CHOICE (C,D) (BF) (C Hill) C Hill 7-8-6 W Carson 3
206 1210/30 RUSHMOOR (J Ennis Construction) R Peacock 6-8-3 T Williams 5 1
212 1/040-1 HANNAH LIGHTFOOT (D McIntyre) J Winter 6-7-9 (3 ex) R Fox 6

1983: Morgans Choice 6-7-10 A McGlone (9-2 fav) C Hill 12 ran.

11-4 Dancing Affair, 7-2 Weaver's Pin, 9-2 Morgans Choice, 6 Fortune's Guest, 8 Hannah Lightfoot, 10 Current Raiser, 12 Rushmoor.

FORM: CURRENT RAISER (9-1) ½l 4th of 6 to Mitilini (7-12) at Beverley (1m 4f, £3048, firm, June 14). DANCING AFFAIR (8-8) 8½l 3rd of 4 to Prince of Peace (8-1) at Haydock (2m, £3007, firm, May 26). WEAVER'S PIN (8-11) never over 7l 4th To His Honour (9-7) at Newbury (1m 5f, £3054, good to firm, June 13), when MORGAN'S CHOICE (8-3) last of nine. FORTUNE'S GUEST (9-3) every chance 2f out when about 6l 5th of 11 to Baynoun (8-0) in group 3 event here on Wednesday

AYR (ITV)

[Televised: 1.30, 2.0, 2.30]

GOING: good

Draw: 7f, over low numbers best

1.30 ROMAN WARRIOR SHIELD (2-y-o: £1,526: 6f) (7 runners)

Selection: GREEMONT BOY.

Ayr selections

By Mandarin

1.30 Greenmont. 2.0 Caro's Gift. 2.30 Singing High. 3.0 Apple Orchard. 3.30 Al Sylah. 4.0 Spaced to Run.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

1.30 Smiler. 2.0 Caro's Gift. 2.30 Holmbury. 3.30 Al Sylah. Last Card.

Michael Seely's selection: 2.30 Singing High (each way).

2.0 SCOTTISH FARM DAIRYFOODS HANDICAP (3-y-o: £2,603: 1m 2f) (9)

3 40-4302 ZIO PEPPINO (A Vettraino) A Jarvis 9-7 A Clark 2
4 04-0023 ZENJEBEEL (BF) (K Al-Said) J Hindley 9-5 B Taylor 4
5 103 ESTOC (D,B) (A Salman) S Norton 9-5 J Lowe 1
6 31-0032 CARO'S GIFT (BF) (R Smith) G Pritchard-Gordon 9-3 G Duffield 5
8 130140 MUSIC WONDER (M Britain) D Plant 8-8 B Coogan 6
9 0-01021 HUMBERSIDE LADY (Humberside Enterprises) G Huffer 8-6 (4 ex) G Carter 7 8
12 00-0413 DONNYSNOOKERCENTRE (J Coxon) E Weymes 8-4 N Carlisle 3
13 002-042 LADY SEVILLE (J Blanch) Denys Smith 7-12 D Leadbitter 7 9
14 0-003 WILLOW TWIG (W Barker) Miss S Hall 7-12 L Charnock 7

1983: Bens Birdie 8-7 T Ives (9-2) M Tompkins 5 ran.

3 Caro's Gift, 4 Humberside Lady, 5 Zenjebeel, 6 Zio Peppino, Lady Seville, 8 Music Wonder, 12 Estoc, 14 Donnysnookercentre, 20 Willow Twig.

FORM: ZIO PEPPINO (8-7) short head 2nd to Fan Club (8-7) at Hamilton (9f, £1,092, good, June 2, 6 ran). ZENJEBEEL (9-0) 3l 3rd of 17 to Malaaan (9-0) at Brighton (1m 2f, £890, good, May 31). ESTOC (8-3) 2¾l 3rd of 8 to Hoyer (9-4) at Haydock (1m 2.5f, £9,952, good to firm, June 9). CARO'S GIFT (8-8) 7l 2nd to Dealaway (9-7) at Epsom (1m 2f, £3,980, good June 8, 7 ran.

Royal Ascot results

Going: firm

2.30 WINDSOR CASTLE STAKES (2-y-o: £10,285: 5f)

SEA FALCON ch c by Raga Navarro – Frigate Bird (S Brewer) 9-4 S Cauthen (4-1) 1

Dark Proposal ch by Blood Royal – Lady Gertrude (Mrs J Phillips) 6-8-12 B Raymond (15-1) 2

Appeal To Me bc by Star Appeal – (G Kaye) Moregram 4-8-12 Gay Kelleway (11-2) 3

Also Ran: 9-4 fav Ouraverra, 11-4 Top Creator, 11-2 Nestor, 10 Physical, 20 Orange Reel. 8 ran. 2½l, nk. H McCaffrey in Ireland.

TOTE: Win: £11.10. Places: £2.10, £3.10, £1.30. DF: £105.20. CSF £168.96.

TOTE DOUBLE: £58.05. TREBLE: £102.10. JACKPOT: not won. PLACEPOT: £94.00.

Course specialists

AYR

TRAINERS: J Hindley, 26 winners from 84 runners, 31.0 per cent; G Pritchard-Gordon, 18 from 56, 34.0 per cent; B Hills, 15 from 67, 22.8 per cent.

JOCKEYS: B Taylor, 24 winners from 79 mounts, 30.4 per cent; J Bleasdale, 22 from 158, 13.9 per cent.

ASCOT

TRAINERS: H Cecil, 38 winners from 124 runners, 30.6 per cent; G Harwood, 31 from 128, 24.2 per cent; M V O'Brien, 16 from 42, 38.1 per cent.

JOCKEYS: L Piggott, 58 winners from 301 mounts, 19.3 per cent; W Carson, 48 from 268, 17.9 per cent; J Mercer, 34 from 186, 18.3 per cent.

REDCAR

TRAINERS: M Stoute, 22 winners from 49 runners, 44.9 per cent; G Pritchard-Gordon, 14 from 51, 27.5 per cent; H T Jones, 14 from 58, 24.1 per cent.

JOCKEYS: S Perks, 13 winners from 112 mounts, 11.6 per cent; M Birch, 21 from 249, 8.4 per cent.

WARWICK

TRAINERS: H Cecil, 10 winners from 20 runners, 50.0 per cent; B Hills, 18 from 97, 18.6 per cent; R Hannon, 11 from 93, 11.8 per cent.

JOCKEYS: S Cauthen, 28 winners from 125 mounts, 22.4 per cent; W Carson, 15 from 114, 13.1 per cent.

Blinkered first time

AYR: 2.0 Estoc. WARWICK: 6.45 Tropical Mist, 9.05 Lake Hamilton, Mason, Seeb. ASCOT: 2.15 Cock-a Snook, 3.15 Good Friendship, Great Vintage.

REDCAR (ITV)

Televised: 1.45, 2.15, 2.45

GOING: firm

Draw: no advantage

1.45 DAILY MIRROR BELLE HANDICAP (Lady amateurs: £1,350: 1m) (15 runners)

1 0-310 NASR (D) (B) N Callaghan 3-11-0 Amanda Gray 7 7
5 0014 SWISS FRANC SWEETY M W Easterby 3-9-9

1983: Crown Counsel 4-8-8 J Feilden (10-1) P Feilden 13 ran.

11-10 Nasr, 4 Rievaux Raver, 11-2 Samandar, 8 Crown Counsel, 12 Dancing Valerina, Polemistis, 14 others.

FORM: NASR (9-0) last of 8 to Chief Singer (9-0) at Royal Ascot (6f, £47,857, good to firm, June 19, 8 ran). Previously NASR (9-0) broke Carlisle course record when beating Morwray Boy (9-0) 5l (6f, £2789, good to firm, June 7). SAMANDAR (9-7) 6½l 3rd to Music Wonder (8-10) at Hamilton (9f, £2,120, good, June 1, 7 ran). Previously SAMANDAR (9-9) had POLEMISTIS (7-12) 11½l back in 5th when Hamilton winner (9f, £1,381, firm, May 14, 13 ran). CROWN COUNSEL, twice winner of this race, (8-8) 9l 6th of 14 to Qualitair Prince (8-8) at Hamilton (8f, £2,201, soft, Apr 11). RIEVAUX RAVER (8-13) beat Singing Boy (8-7) at Ripon (8f, £2,488, good, June 6, 12 ran).

Selection: RIEVAUX RAVER

Redcar selections

By Mandarin

1.45 Samandar. 2.15 Watch Tower. 2.45 All Is Forgiven. 3.15 Lady Liza. 3.45 Megiddo. 4.15 Geovale. 4.45 Keep Still.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

1.45 Samandar. 2.15 Dan Thatch. 2.45 All Is Forgiven. 3.15 State Budget. 3.45 Megiddo. 4.15 Geovale. 4.45 Lemon Grove.

2.15 PHILIP CORNES NICKEL ALLOYS STAKES (2-y-o: £3,020: 6f) (24)

4 00 BALLI SPRINGS M H Easterby 9-0 M Birch 8
5 BOGAZKOY W Wharton 9-0 W Wharton 21
6 5 BUSSBOY M W Easterby 9-0 A Dickman 24
7 CHOCOLATE SOLDIER P Rohan 9-0 R Fahey 7 17
9 033 COCK-A-SNOOK (B) C Booth 9-0 G Oldroyd 6
13 DAN THATCH M Jarvis 9-0 B Raymond 23
14 DAWN JUSTICE G Huffer 9-0 M Rimmer 5
17 HARDKNOCKIN J Fitzgerald 9-0 G Brown 7 2
19 0 HI-TECH BOY W Musson 9-0 R Curant 9

2.45 HANSA LAGER SRPINT CUP HANDICAP (£4,363: 6f) (11)

1 10-10 ALL IS FORGIVEN (B) D Thom 4-10-0 P Robinson 6
2 000-0 BOLD SECRET (D) G Pritchard-Gordon 4-9-8 R Cochrane 9
4 1-003 RAMBLING RIVER (CD) (B) W A Stephenson 7-9-3 E Guest 5 10
6 100-0 BREGA BOY (B) T Fairhurst 3-8-10 C Coates 7 2
8 0-403 AL TRUI (D) W Musson 4-8-7 B Raymond 3
9 0100 WILLIE GAN (CD) Denys Smith 6-8-5 M Fry 11
10 0300- NORTHORPE (C,D) G Huffer 6-8-2 M Rimmer 5
14 0013 LUCKY DUTCH (D) M W Easterby 5-7-12 (8 ex)

WARWICK

GOING: Good

Draw: low numbers best

6.45 LEON HOUSE HANDICAP (£2,323: 1m 2f 170yd) (11 runners)

9 0300 TROPICAL MIST (B) G Thorner 4-8-6 J Johnson 9
10 0001 NASHASAB (C-D) C Benstead 4-8-8 (7 ex) B Rouse 8
13 00000 HAWK LADY Mrs R Lomax 4-8-3 M Wigham 7
15 2/1-00 FILARIO (C) M Pipe 6-8-1 – 11
16 0-0000 R B BROTHER W Morris 4-7-9 – 2
17 00-0 HIGHDRIVE R Holder 4-7-7 R Street 6

1983: (9f) Mandrake Belle 4-7-5 A McGlone (33-1) B Gubby 19 ran.

2 Scoutsmistake, 7-2 Nashaab, Video Man, 5 Lyminster, 6 Galetzky, 10 Tropical Mist, 14 others.

WARWICK SELECTIONS

By Mandarin

6.45 Scoutsmistake. 7.10 Charlie Burton. 7.35 Silent Sun. 8.5 Royal Duty. 8.5 Arbitrage. 9.5 What a Record.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

6.45 Video Man. 7.10 Octolan. 7.35 Senane, 8.35 Canadian Crown. 9.5 What A Record.

7.10 TEA LEAF MAIDEN SELLING STAKES (2-y-o: £547: 6f) (13)

1 0 CHARLIE BURTON Mrs C Reavey 9-0 – 3
4 2000 LINCYEM J Berry 9-0 – 7
5 0000 NICE BUSINESS N Tinkler 9-0 – 11
6 OCTOLAN M Hinchcliffe 9-0 R Cochrane 8
7 0 SUDAN PARK M Salaman 9-0 J Williams 9
8 00 WANDERING WALTER J Berry 9-0 – 12
9 CARTOON Mrs N Macauley 8-11 P Bloomfield 5 6
10 00 COME ON CORNISH C Drew 8-11 M L Thomas 4
11 0 FIRST MEMBER D Wintle 8-11 D Dineley 13
12 HATCHEDNIZE J Douglas-Home 8-11 I Johnsone 10
13 LITTLE BUTTERFLY D Wintle 8-11 N Howe 2
16 0000 NAVANA D Ancil 8-11 Paul Eddery 5
18 000 SANANN N Gaselee 8-11 M Hills 1

7.35 WARWICK OAKS (3-y-o fillies: £3,069: 1m 4f 52yd) (7)

8.05 BROOKE BOND OXO CATERING STAKES (Amateurs: £1,240: 1m) (20)

8.35 KENYA HANDICAP (3-y-o: £2,554: 7f) (18)

9.05 MAN APPEAL STAKES (2-y-o colts & geldings: £728: 7f) (14)

Redcar results

Going: Good to firm.

2.15 (1m 1f) 1, JOY OF MUSIC (C Brown, 8-1); 2, Bolders (D Nicholls, 3-1); 3, La Di Da (O

ALSO RAN: 25 Rarty (4th), 100 Helen's Choice (5th). 5 ran. Nk, 10l, 12l, 7l. B Hobbs at Newmarket. TOTE: £1.80, £1.10, £1.10. DF: £1.10. CSF: £2.01.

4.45 (6f) 1, ACONITUM (R Guest, 4-1); 2, Scintilla (G Duffield, 13-2); 3, Today And Tomorrow (M Miller, 5-2 fav). ALSO RAN: 6 Lady Tippins (6th), 15-2 Below The Line, 10 Corrara (4th), Dubai Spring, Emerald Eagle, Exactly Like You, 14 Light Angel (5th), 20 Futuaa Prince, Grey Charm, Roman Bonnet, 25 Gods Law, Gregory's Lady, 33 Even Breeze, Gamesmanship, Mystic Boy, November Sunshine, Gemgem, Lyptosol Velvet, Mangala's Pride, Royal Reflections. 23 ran. NR: Swiftspender, Never Turn Back, Olde Fat Ox. 1½l, sh hd, 1l, ¾l, hd. L Cumani at Newmarket. TOTE: £4.40, £1.50, £4.20, £2.20. DF: £122.80. CSF: £37.59.

PLACEPOT: £7.35.

Four winners for Rohan

Pat Rohan, the Malton trainer, left his more fashionable colleagues at Royal Ascot in the shade yesterday when he landed an 8,167-1 fourtimer at the two northern meetings – Ayr and Redcar.

Rohan saddled an Ayr treble with Cudgel (10-1), Reman Quest (9-2) and Legal Lad (14-1). He also won the first race at Redcar with Joy of Music (8-1).

Another man in form yesterday was Peter Makin, the Marlborough trainer. Makin saddled Sea Falcon to win the Windsor Castle Stakes at Royal Ascot and added two winners at Ayr, Bossonava Boy and Mohar, both ridden by Geoff Baxter.

Ayr

Going good

2.30 (6f) 1, CUDGEL (R Fahey, 10-1); 2, Sattabet Geraghty (S P Griffiths, 4-1); 3, Easy Star (C Rate, 7-2 jt-fav). ALSO RAN: 7-2 jt-fav Gan On Lad (4th), 4 Joie Courtisane, 9 Jarlers Pat (6th), 20 Valoroso (5th). 7 ran. ¾l, 4l, 2½l, sh hd, 1½l. P Rohan at Malton. TOTE: £7.80; £1.90, £3.00. DF £16.00. CSF: £43.36. 1min 16.67 sec.

3.00 (5f) 1, IMPERIAL JADE (A Clark, 9-4 jt-fav); 2, Sally O'Brien (G Baxter, 9-4 jt-fav); 3, Amade Bay (N Connorton, 4-1). ALSO RAN: 4 Bit of Fun (5th), 20 Nushif (4th), 25 Carousel Nougat, Darcy Farrow (6th). 7 ran. 5l, 5l, ¾l, nk, 1½l. A Jarvis at Royston. TOTE: £2.70; £2.20, £2.60. DF: £5.40. CSF: £7.45. 1 min 02.23 sec.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS: King George VI Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes, Ascot Weiner

Law Report June 23 1984

Accepting £50 excess no bar to accident claim

Buckland v Palmer

Before Sir John Donaldson, Master of the Rolls and Lord Justice Griffiths

[Judgment delivered June 21]

It was an abuse of the process of the court to bring two actions in respect of the same cause of action: but where there had been no judgment in the first action, that action could, in appropriate circumstances, be revived and amended so as to enable there to be an adjudication upon the whole of the plaintiff's claim.

The Court of Appeal in reserved judgments on a point of general importance to motorists and their insurers allowed an appeal by a defendant, Mr Glenn Palmer, from the order of Judge Pickles at Keighley County Court on November 23, 1983, who dismissed the defendant's appeal from the registrar's order that the second cause of action of the plaintiff, Mrs Sheila Buckland, based on the same cause of action (motor car collision) as a previous action which had been stayed by a payment into court should not be struck out as an abuse of the process of the court.

Mr Stuart Bridge for the defendant; Mr Edwin Glasgow for the plaintiff.

The MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that on February 19, 1982 the plaintiff had been driving her Honda car when it was involved in a collision with the defendant's Alfa Romeo. The plaintiff's car was damaged. The cost of repair was said to be £1,142.

The plaintiff was insured under a comprehensive motor policy under which it was a term that she should bear the first £50 of each and every claim.

The plaintiff said that the defendant did not dissent from the proposition that the accident was his fault but told her that he was insured with Palladin Policies at Lloyd's.

The plaintiff notified her own insurers, Eagle Star, who told her that they had a "knock-for-knock" agreement with Palladin, as a result of which, as between Eagle Star and Palladin (and thus the defendant), Eagle Star would be responsible for meeting the damage claim other than the first £50 for which she would have look to the defendant.

In April 1982 the plaintiff began an action in her own name in the Keighley County Court claiming £50 and £5 court fees. She stated the nature of her claim as being "uninsured excess car insurance" on the ground that the defendant was the liable party in the collision.

On May 6, 1982, the defendant paid the full amount claimed (£50 plus £5) into court indicating that he disputed the plaintiff's claim and wished to counterclaim.

The plaintiff accepted the £55 wherefor her action became stayed under Order 11, rule 3 (3) of the County Court Rules.

Eagle Star then found that the defendant was not or did not appear to be insured with Palladin Policies at Lloyd's. It did not necessarily follow that at the time of the accident the defendant knew that he was uninsured.

Eagle Star set about suing the defendant in the Keighley County Court. They used the subrogation rights which they had acquired upon meeting the plaintiff's claim to sue in the name of the plaintiff.

Eagle Star's action in the plaintiff's name was begun in Keighley County Court in September 1982. They claimed £1,142 but gave credit for the £50 which the plaintiff had received.

Armed with legal aid the defendant applied to strike out the September action as an abuse of the process of the court. The registrar dismissed the application and Judge Pickles dismissed the defendant's appeal on the basis that the matter was decided by a decision of the Court of Appeal in *Taylor v O. Wray & Co Ltd* ([1971] 1 Lloyd's Rep 497).

For the defendant it was said that where proceedings were in existence claiming damages for a particular cause of action, it was an abuse of the process of the court to begin a second action based upon the same cause of action. That was supported by a considerable body of law starting with the rule in *Fetter v Beal* ((1701) 1 Ld Ray 339, 692).

For present purposes one could start with *Derrick v Williams* ([1939] 2 All E R 559) where the Court of Appeal clearly accepted that acceptance of £50 in the first action precluded the plaintiff from bringing a second action in respect of the same cause of action.

That view of the law was reinforced in *Lambert v Mainland Market Deliveries Ltd* ([1977] 1 WLR 825). *Taylor v O. Wray & Co Ltd* was clearly distinguishable.

While his Lordship disliked procedural technicality, there were wider issues involved. The public interest in avoiding any possibility of two courts reaching inconsistent decision on the same issue was undoubted. Equally clear was the public interest in there being finality in litigation and in protecting citizens from being "vexed" more than once by what was really the same claim.

Against that was the public interest in seeing that justice was done. It would not be done if a plaintiff accepted payment of a small sum which was only part of his claim in the belief that the remainder was not in issue and would be paid in due course.

The competing public interests would be differently reconciled on the differing facts of particular cases if the court held, on principle and on the authorities that (1) it was an abuse of the process of the court to bring two actions in respect of the same cause of action but (2) where there had been no judgment in the first action, that action could, in appropriate circumstances, be revived and amended so as to enable there to be an adjudication upon the whole of the plaintiff's claim.

The county court had power to transfer the whole matter to the High Court if the enlarged claim was outside its jurisdiction.

If the first action had proceeded to judgment, his Lordship would be surprised and disappointed if the courts were powerless to do justice if, for example, advantage had been taken of an ill-informed plaintiff by an experienced defendant who had offered to submit to judgment in a small sum, well knowing that the plaintiff was under some misapprehension as to the effect upon his right thereafter to proceed with his substantial claim.

His Lordship would allow the *appeal and order that the September* action be struck out, without prejudice to an application to remove the stay on the April action and for leave to amend the particulars of claim in that action.

LORD JUSTICE GRIFFITHS, agreeing, said that the appeal raised a point of general importance to motorists and their insurers. Most drivers with comprehensive motor policies agreed to bear the first £X of any accidental damage to their car and to pay a significantly smaller premium.

If as the result of an accident the cost of repairing the car was £1,000 and the policy holder had agreed to bear the first £100 of the damage could the policy holder recover £100 in one action and the insurers recover the £900 which they had paid to their policy holder in another action or must both sums be claimed in one action?

The general rule should be that both sums must be claimed in the same action. A claimant "must prove and recover damages arising from one and the same cause of action, once for all:" see *per* Lord Sumner in *Clark v Urquart* ([1930] AC 28, 54).

An insurer who paid his insured under a comprehensive policy and then sought under his right of subrogation to recover the sum in the name of his insured could have no greater rights against the tortfeasor than those of his insured.

Taylor v O. Wray & Co Ltd appeared to be out of line with the general stream of authority and it would appear *Derrick v Williams* was not cited to the court.

His Lordship agreed that it was a case decided on very special facts to do justice on that particular occasion. It did not govern a case apparently settled by acceptance of money in court.

Solicitors: Hatchett Jones & Kidgell for Turner & Wall, Keighley; Hextall, Erskine & Co for A. V. Hammond & Co, Bradford.

Time limit note wrong

VCS Ltd v Magmasters Ltd

A note in the seventh supplement to *The Supreme Court Practice 1982* on Order 59, rule 6 of the Rules of the Supreme Court, wrongly stated that the much more strict approach adopted in the case of an application for an extension of time for serving *a notice of appeal or for setting* down an appeal was not applied to an application for an extension of time for serving a respondent's notice.

The Court of Appeal (Sir John Donaldson, Master of the Rolls, and Lord Justice Griffiths) so stated on June 7, when granting an application by the plaintiff, VCS Ltd, for an extension of time for serving a respondent's notice.

The MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that the respondent's notice covered three different situations (see Order 59, rule 6(1)(a),(b),(c)), two of which were in reality cross-appeals. The time limit in relation to cross-appeals was exactly the same as that which applied to a notice of appeal.

If the note in the supplement suggested that all three situations were dealt with in the same way, it was wrong and the present practice should cease. In view of the fact that the note was misleading it would be unjust to refuse the plaintiff's application.

Weekend's radio

From facing page

SUNDAY'S RADIO 1

News on the half-hour until 11.30am, then 2.30pm, 3.30, 5.00, 7.30, 9.30 and 12.00 midnight (MF/MW). 6.00am Mark Page. 8.00 Tony Blackburn's Sunday Show. 10.00 Adrian Juste. 12.00 Jimmy Savile's "Old Record" Club. 2.00 Steve Wright. 4.00 Paul Gambaccini with an appreciation of Bob Marley. 5.00 Top 40 with Simon Bates† 7.00 Anne Nightingale† *9.00 Robbie Vincent with the delights of dance music*† 11.00-12.00 Gary Byrd's Sweet Inspirations† VHF Radio 1 and 2: 4.00am With Radio 2. 2.00pm Benny Green† 3.00 Alan Dell† 4.00 String Sound with The BBC Radio Strings† 4.30 Sing Something Simple with The Adams Singers† 5.00 With Radio 1. 12.00-4.00am With Radio 2.

SATURDAY'S WORLD SERVICE

6.00am Newsdesk. 6.30 Album Time. 7.00 World News. 7.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 7.30 From the Weeklies. 7.45 Network UK. 8.00 World News. 8.09 Reflections. 8.15 Peebles Choice. 8.30 Brain of Britain 1984. 9.00 World News. 9.09 Review of the British Press. 9.15 The World Today. 9.30 Financial News. 9.40 Look Ahead. 9.45 People and Politics. 10.15 Letter from America. 11.00 World News. 11.09 News About Britain. 11.15 About Britain. 11.30 Meridian. 12.00pm Radio Newsreel. 12.15 Anything Goes. 12.45 Sports Roundup. 1.00 World News. 1.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 1.30 Network UK. 1.45 Saturday Special. 3.00 Radio Newsreel. 3.15 Saturday Special. 4.00 World News. 4.09 Commentary. 4.15 Saturday Special. 8.00 World News. 8.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 8.30 Journey Into Hope. 9.15 Wimbledon Preview. 9.30 People and Politics. 10.00 World News. 10.09 From Our Own Correspondent. 10.30 New Ideas. 10.40 *Reflections*. 10.45 Sports Roundup. 11.00 World News. 11.09 Commentary. 11.15 Letterbox. 11.30 Meridian. 12.00 World News. 12.09 News About Britain. 12.15 Radio Newsreel. 12.30 Play of the Week. 1.30 Bakers Half Dozen. 2.00 World News. 2.09 Review of the British Press. 2.15 Patrick Martyn's Music Box. 2.30 Sports Review. 3.00 World News. 3.09 News About Britain. 3.15 From Our Own Correspondent. 3.30 My Music. 4.45 Financial Review. 4.55 Reflections. 5.00 World News. 5.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 5.45 Letterbox From America. (All times in GMT)

SUNDAY'S WORLD SERVICE

6.00am Newsdesk. 6.30 Jazz for the Asking. 7.00 World News. 7.09 News About Britain. 7.30 Byng At Large. 7.50 Recording of the Week. 8.00 World News. 8.09 Reflections. 8.15 The Pleasure's Yours. 9.00 World News. 9.09 Review of the British Press. 9.15 Science in Action. 9.45 Sports Review. 10.15 From Our Own Correspondent. 11.00 World News. 11.10 World Phone-In: It's Your World. 11.55 News About Britain. 12.00 Play of the Week. 1.00 World News. 1.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 1.30 Villette. 1.45 The Tony Myatt Request Show. 2.30 Twelve Good Men And True. 3.00 Radio Newsreel. 3.15 Concert Hall. 4.00 World News. 4.09 Commentary. 4.15 From Our Own Correspondent. 4.35 Financial Review. 8.00 World News. 8.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 8.30 Sunday Half Hour. 9.00 Zoo Walk. 9.15 The *Pleasure's Yours*. 10.00 World News. 10.09 Science in Action. 10.40 Reflections. 10.45 Sports Roundup. 11.00 World News. 11.09 Commentary. 11.15 Letter from America. 11.30 The Left-Handed Sleeper. 12.00 World News. 12.09 News About Britain. 12.15 Radio Newsreel. 12.30 Religious Service. 1.00 Concert Hall. 1.45 World Service Short Story. 2.00 World News. 2.09 Review of the British Press. 2.15 Good Books. 2.30 Music Now. 3.00 World News. 3.09 News About Britain. 3.15 Kenneth Matthews Contemplates. 3.30 Anything Goes. 4.45 Letter From London. 4.55 Reflections. 5.00 World News. 5.09 Twenty Four-Hours. 5.45 Zoo Walk.

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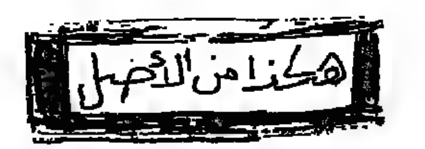
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Saturday

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BBC 1

6.20 Open University. Until 8.25.

8.40 The Saturday Picture Show presented by Mark Curry. Cartoons, serials, pop music and interviews including one with Alvin Stardust who talks about his new book, Tales from the Saddle.

10.45 Film: Latitude Zero (1969) starring Joseph Cotten and Cesar Romero. Underwater science fiction fantasy about the good and the great Captain McKenzie and the nasty Malic the Murderer. Directed by Ishiro Honda and Eiji Tsuburaya. 12.27 Weather.

12.30 Grandstand introduced by Desmond Lynam. The line-up is: 12.35 and 1.05 Bowling: the Daihatsu Challenge from Cardiff; 1.00 News summary. 1.25, 2.10, 2.40 and 3.10 Tennis: The finals of the Carlsberg LTA Eastbourne Championships from Devonshire Park. The commentators are Dan Maskell and Virginia Wade

2.00 2.30 and 3.00 Racing from Ascot. Coverage of the Hardwicke Stakes, the High Yield Steel Stakes and the Steeplejack and Sections Victory Cup Handicap Stakes; 3.10 Athletics: from Birmingham coverage of the England v Yugoslavia v Wales v Scotland match; and from Crystal Palace, the AAA Championships.

5.10 Automan. The Los Angeles detective investigates the corrupt officers who are investigating corruption within the force (Ceefax titles page 170).

5.55 News with Jan Leeming. 6.05 Sport and regional news.

6.10 Pop Quiz introduced by Mike Read. A test of rock 'n roll knowledge for Noddy Holder, John Keeble, Jerry Kelly, Andrew Ridgeley, Robert Hodgens and Bruce Foxton.

6.40 Film: Mayday 40,000 Ft (1976) starring David Janssen, Ray Milland and Broderick Crawford. Drama in the skies as a prisoner takes advantage of his escort's illness to hi-jack an aeroplane. Directed by Robert Butler.

8.15 The Val Doonican Music Show. His guests tonight include Roger Whittaker and The Flying Pickets.

9.00 Dynasty. Fallon decides to divorce Jeff and flies to Haiti

9.45 News and sport.

10.00 Bird of Prey. Part one of a four-episode thriller starring Richard Griffiths as the mild-mannered Henry Jay, a loyal Department of Trade employee who, while compiling a study on computer fraud in the age of electronic accounting, uncovers a dangerous political and criminal conspiracy (r). (Ceefax titles page 170).

10.50 International Football. Highlights of the first semi-final of the European Championship, played tonight in Marseilles between France and Portugal.

11.30 Film: Emperor of the North (1973) starring Lee Marvin and Ernest Borgnine as, respectively, A-No 1, the top train-hopping tramp in Oregon and Shack, a sadistic train guard who would prefer someone to die rather than let them travel free. Directed by Robert Aldrich.

1.25 Weather.

TV-am

6.25 Good Morning Britain presented by Henry Kelly and Toni Arthur, begins with a discussion on small businesses; news with Jayne Irving at 7.00 and 8.40; the Greene's dream home at 7.45; and advice on buying fish from Rustie Lee at 8.15. The special guests are Derek Nimmo and Teddy Tinling.

8.40 SPLAT includes a cartoon, an episode from the soap opera, No Adults Allowed, and another heat in the competition to find the junior mastermind.

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9.25 LWT Information. 9.30 Sesame Street. The Muppets and their human guests make learning a lot of fun. 10.30 No 73. More comedy and mayhem from Ethel Davis, Dawn Lodge, Hazel Edwards and Kim Goody.

12.00 World of Sport introduced by Dickie Davies. The line-up is: 12.05 International Football: highlights of the week's matches in the European Championship plus a preview of the weekend's semi-finals. With Ian St John and Jimmy Greaves; 12.45 News followed by the Australian pools news; 12.50 Sidecar Racing: Round two of the Shell Oils British Championship from Donington; 1.05 Olympics '84: the US Olympic Athletics Trials.

1.20 The ITV Six: the 1.30, 2.00 and 2.30 from Ayr and the 1.45, 2.15 and 2.45 from Redcar; 2.55 Motor Cycling: Round two of the World Superbike Challenge, from Donington; 3.25 Speedway: The British Final of the World Individual Championships, from Coventry Stadium; 3.50 News round-up; 4.00 Wrestling: Three contests from Brierley Hill; 4.50 Results.

5.00 News. 5.05 Whiz Kids. Another case for the young electronics geniuses.

6.00 The Pyramid Game. Contestants tested for their powers of association by Steve Jones; Rita Lamas and John Junkin are the celebrity guests.

6.30 The Children's Royal Variety Performance in the presence of Princess Anne, in aid of the NSPCC.

8.30 The Gentle Touch. Det Inspector Maggie Forbes investigates death threats received by an actress in a long-running television series. Starring Jill Gascoine (r). (Oracle titles page 170).

9.30 News.

9.45 Aspel and Company. Michael Aspel's guests tonight are Tony Curtis, Jackie Collins and Pamela Stephenson.

10.30 New Brighton Rock. Concert recorded at the New Brighton Bathing Pool over a period of four days and featuring ten top bands and soloists including Gloria Gaynor, Eddy Grant, The Weather Girls and Hot Chocolate.

12.15 London news headlines followed by Thriller: The Next Victim, by Brian Clemens. A wheelchair-bound young woman, alone in her flat during a holiday weekend, learns that she is to be the next victim of a killer on the rampage. Starring Carol Baker, T. P. McKenna and Maurice Kaufmann (r). Then Night Thoughts.



Richard Griffiths and Carole Nimmons in episode one of the computer fraud thriller Bird of Prey (BBC 1, 10.00 pm)

BBC 2

6.25 Open University. Until 3.10.

3.10 Ceefax.

3.50 Film: The Son of the Sheik (1926) starring Rudolph Valentino. The great lover's final film. He plays Ahmed; a desert sheik who believes he has been betrayed by the woman he loves. Directed by George Fitzmaurice.

4.55 Film: Song of Scheherazade (1948) starring Yvonne De Carlo, Brian Donlevy and Jean-Pierre Aumont. The story of the Russian composer Rimsky-Korsakov, and of the beautiful Moroccan dancer who inspired him to compose his celebrated work, Scheherezade. Directed by Walter Reisch.

6.40 Bicycle Clips. A celebration of the evolution of the velocipede over the last 150 years, featuring vintage bicycle spokesman, John Pinkerton (r).

7.10 News and sport.

7.25 Primel Part three of the eight-programme dramatized German conversation course.

7.40 Tibet: The Bamboo Curtain Falls. A fascinating World About Us Programme that uses both Tibetan and Chinese film to illustrate what has been going on in the country of mystery since the time of the Chinese take-over of the country. The Chinese invasion led to the Dalai Lama and 100,000 of his subjects being forced to flee to India; the destruction of Tibetan culture and of some 3,000 monasteries (r).

8.30 The Last of Linda Cleer. A re-writing of the Cinderella fairytale with Roy Dotrice as the mysterious stranger who invites Linda Cleer (June Laurie) to a ball.

9.05 Saturday Review presented by Russell Davies and Minette Marrin. This week's discussion on the arts and the media includes art historian John Willett giving his views on the place of sculpture, painting and murals in public places; Quentin Crisp's week; and a discussion on media coverage of the miners' strike.

10.05 Greyhound Racing. Live coverage of the Daily Mirror Greyhound Derby.

10.30 Police. The Thames Valley Constabulary are in the fly-on-the-wall's eye once again, this time on New Year's Eve. (r)

11.15 News with Jan Leeming.

11.20 International Tennis. Highlights from this afternoon's finals of the Carlsberg LTA Eastbourne Championships. Ends at 12.15.

CHANNEL 4

2.10 Ark on the Move. The third programme in Gerald Durrell's 13-part series on flora and fauna conservation is from the Island of Madagascar (r).

2.35 Film: Cloak and Dagger* (1946) starring Gary Cooper and Lilli Palmer. Spy story, set in the dying days of the Second World War, about a physics professor who is recruited by the American Secret Service to rescue an atomic scientist from the clutches of the Nazis. Directed by Fritz Lang.

4.35 Buffalo Bill. The obnoxious host of a television chat show gets a surprise when his 22-year-old daughter pays him a visit. He foregoes his bachelor life-style and breathes a sigh of relief when it is time for her to leave. But then she is offered a job at the television station.

5.05 Brookside. A compilation of the week's two episodes.

6.00 Ear Say. Weekly music magazine programme. Among the guests is group Spandau Ballet.

7.00 News summary followed by 7 Days. Michael Charlton talks to Willy Brandt about the role of Social Democracy in the light of the recent European election results; Helen Hayman discusses child care today with the Rev Gordon Barritt, former head of the National Children's Homes, now president of the Methodist Conference; and there is a short film about what midsummer night means to the druids of north Yorkshire.

7.30 Union World. Anne Lester reports on the state of the unions at the Government Communications Centre in Cheltenham following the £1,000 sop to workers to leave their union.

8.00 Cervantes. Part six of the nine-part dramatization of the life of the Spanish writer.

9.00 Callan. The British secret serviceman is on the trail of a KGB infiltrator into the service.

10.00 Bacchanal. Part six in the series on black art in Britain.

10.45 Look Forward. A preview of Friday evening's Midsummer Night's Tube, a five hour pop spectacular to be seen on this channel.

11.00 Who Dares, Wins . . . Satire and topical comedy.

12.05 Film: The Return of Doctor X* (1939) starring Humphrey Bogart as an executed child murderer, brought back to life by a scientist, who turns into a vampire. Directed by Vincent Sherman.

1.10 Closedown.

Radio 4

6.25 Shipping Forecast. 6.30 News; Farming Today. 6.50 In Perspective. 6.55 Weather; Travel; Programme News. 7.10 Today's Papers. 7.15 On Your Farm. 7.45 In Perspective. 7.50 Down to Earth: Mike Gilliam asks Alan Titchmarsh about jobs in the garden this weekend. 7.55 Weather; Travel.

8.00 News. 8.10 Today's Papers. 8.15 Sport on 4. The latest sporting news presented by Tony Lewis. 8.48 Yesterday in Parliament. 8.57 Weather; Travel.

9.00 News.

9.05 Breakaway. Holiday, leisure and travel scene.

9.50 News Stand. Review of weekly magazines. With Desmond Wilcox.

10.05 The Week in Westminster. With Peter Riddell.

10.30 Pick of the Week. Another of Margaret Howard's selections†

11.30 From Our Own Correspondent.

12.00 News; Money Box.

12.27 Just a Minute with Nicholas Parsons, Kenneth Williams, Clement Freud, Libby Purves and Henry Kelly. 12.55 Weather.

1.00 News.

1.10 Any Questions? from Penzance, Cornwall. With Ann Widdecombe, Frederic Raphael, David Penhaligon and John Palmer (r). 1.55 Shipping Forecast.

2.00 News.

2.05 Thirty-Minute Theatre: "The Bezzle" by James Pattifer. With Amanda Murray and Pauline Delany. Drama, about two women fellow prisoners. One is working class and Irish. The other is an accountant, saddled the the blame for her senior partner's frauds. She may have a chance to improve her prospects – if she is prepared to act as a spy.

2.35 Medicine Now. A report on the health of medical care.

3.05 Wildlife.

3.30 The Politics of the Thriller. The serious political message behind the best-sellers. Presented by Owen Dudley Edwards.

4.00 News; International Assignment.

4.30 Does He Take Sugar? Magazine for the disabled listeners and their families.

5.00 So You Want to be an Actor? The last of four programmes – "One Half of One Per Cent". Presented by Derek Parker.

5.25 Week Ending (2) A satirical review of the week's news†

5.50 Shipping Forecast. 5.55 Weather; Travel; Programme News.

6.00 News; Sports Round-Up.

6.25 The Magic of Music Jeremy Siepmann explores his favourite Beethoven sonata – the "Appassionata"†

7.05 Stop the Week with Robert Robinson. With Fascinating Aida†

7.45 Baker's Dozen with Richard Baker†

8.30 Saturday-Night Theatre: "Looking After Ourselves" by Margaret Crane. With Rosalie Crutchley and Rosalind Shanks. Drama about a daughter's struggles to survive the school at which her widowed mother is a teacher.

9.45 A Sideways Look at . . . by Anthony Smith. 9.58 Weather.

10.00 News.

10.15 You the Jury. Series in which current and controversial issues are put on trial. Tonight's motion: Farming and forestry should be subject to planning controls.

11.00 Evening Service†

11.15 Smith in the Sun: Phil Smith takes to the summer playgrounds to inspect his fellow pleasure seekers. (4) The Navel of the North.

11.30 In One Ear from the Paris Studio, Lower Regent Street, London with Nick Wilton, Helen Lederer and Steve Brown†

12.00 News. 12.10 Weather. 12.15 Close. Shipping Forecast.
England: above except: 6.25-6.30am Weather; Travel. 1.55-2.00pm Programme News. 5.50-5.55 Programme News.

Radio 3

7.55 Weather. 8.00 News.

8.05 Aubade: Lumbye's Champagne Galop; Chopin's Nocturne in D flat Op 27 No 2 Horszowski). Sibelius's suite Mignonne; Rimsky-Korsakov's Scherzo (C minor piano trio); and Saint-Saen's Piano Concerto No 3 (Roge/LPO)† 9.00 News.

9.05 Record Review: Bernard Keeffe compares recordings of Schumann's Cello Concerto. And hi-fi news from Barry Fox†

10.15 Record Release: David Wilson-Johnson (baritone) and David Owen Norris perform Schubert's Winterreise†

11.25 BBC Scottish SO: Mozart's Symphony No 36; Stravinsky's ballet music Jeu de Cartes; and Rimsky-Korsakov's Spanish Capricet 1.00 News.

1.05 Mendelssohn: Malcolm Binns (piano) plays a selection of Songs without Words†

2.00 Tchaikovsky: Recordings of the Fantasy-overture Romeo and Juliet, the Romance in F (Entremont, piano). Undine's Aria (Undina). Valse Caprice Op 4 (Ponti, piano). Danish Festival Overture, and Love Duet (Romeo and Juliet)†

3.05 Clarinet and Piano: Stanford's Three Intermezzi; Ireland's Fantasy Sonata; and Horovitz's Sonatina, played by Gervase de Peyer and Gwenneth Pryor†

3.45 BBC Philharmonic Orchestra: with Peter Lawson (piano): Nicolai's overture Merry Wives of Windsor; Mendelssohn's Piano Concerto No 1; Bantock's Pagan Symphony†

5.00 Jazz Record Request: another of Peter Clayton's selections†

5.45 Critics' Forum: Tonight's panel – Robert Cushman, Marghanita Laski and Richard Cork, with Nigel Andrews in the chair. Topics include John Arden's and Margaret D'Arcy's Radio 4 play The Manchester Enthusiasts.

6.35 Erich Gruenberg: the violinist plays Bach's Partita in D minor, BWV 1004†

7.10 The Turk and His Dog: talk by Idris Parry.

7.30 The Apostles: Elgar's oratorio relayed from Liverpool Anglican Cathedral. With Worcester Festival Choral Society, (with Liverpool Welsh Choral Union), the Royal Phil and soloists Sheila Armstrong, Felicity Palmer, David Rendall, Stephen Roberts, David Wilson-Johnson and Michael Rippon. Conductor: Sir Alexander Gibson. Part one.

8.40 This World's Dreams: John Heath-Stubbs's compilation is read by Sean Barrett, Timothy Bateson and Carole Boyd†

9.00 The Apostles: the second part†

10.00 Rameau: Trevor Pinnock (harpsichord) plays the Suite in A minor†

10.30 Vagn Holmboe: BBC Singers sing the Domine non superbit; Speravi in Domino; and Cantabo Domino; and Buxtehude's Missa Brevis†

11.15 News. Until 11.18.

VHF: Open University. 6.55am-7.55 Pastoral Care; Maths Foundation Tutorial; and Differentiation in Action. And 11.20 to 12.00 Florentine Renaissance Art; and Thomas Hardy's Poetry.

Radio 2

News on the hour until 1.00pm and then from 6.00 (except 8.00pm until 8.00). Headlines: 5.30am, 7.30 Major bulletins: 7.30am, 8.00 and 12.00 midnight (MF/MW). 4.00am Steve Colmant 6.00 Sheila Tracy† incl 7.50 Racing. 8.00 David Jacobs† 10.00 Sounds of the 60s† 11.00 Album Time with Peter Clayton, incl. 11.02 Sport. 1.00pm Roy Castle in Castle's Corner. 1.30 Sport on 2: includes Tennis: (final of the Women's Tournament in Eastbourne). Athletics: (U-BIX A.A.A.'S Championship). Racing from Ascot at 2.00, 3.00. 5.00 Sports Headlines. 6.00 Folk on 2 with Cyril Tawney. 7.00 Beat the Record. 7.30 Cricket Scores; BBC International Festival of Light Music direct from the Royal Festival Hall, London. Ashley Lawrence conducts the BBC Concert Orchestra in works by Berlioz, Donizetti, Vaughan Williams and Gershwin. Lillian Watson sings the Doll Song from The Tales of Hoffman. And Kathryn Tickell on the Northumbrian Pipes. 8.30-8.50 Interval with John Thompson. 10.02 Sports Desk. 10.05 Saturday Rendezvous with Len Jackson† 11.00 Ken Bruce with his selection of music† 1.00am Jean Challis presents Nightride† 3.00-4.00 Night Owls†

Radio 1

News on the half-hour until 12.30pm, then 2.30, 3.30, 5.30, 7.30, 9.30 and 12.00 midnight (MF/MW). 6.00am Mark Page. 8.00 Tony Blackburn's Saturday Show. 10.00 Dave Lee Travis. 1.00 My Top Ten John Moss of Culture Club talks to Andy Peebles. 2.00 Paul Gambaccini† 4.00 Saturday Live in London and New York Richard Skinner 'live' from the BBC studios in New York while Andy Batten-Foster is out to prove that life in London is just as vibrant. 6.30 In Concert featuring Dead or Alive† 7.30 Janice Long with sessions from The Outcasts and Promise. 10.00-12.00 Dixie Peach. VHF Radios 1 and 2: 4.00am With Radio 2. 1.00pm With Radio 1. 7.30-4.00am With Radio 2.

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REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

BBC1 Wales: 6.05-6.10pm Sports News Wales. 1.25am Weather; Weather for Wales; Close. Scotland: 6.05-6.10pm Sport/Regional News. 1.30am Close. Northern Ireland: 6.05-6.10pm Northern Ireland news and sport. 1.25am Weather: Northern Ireland news headlines and weather; Close. England: 6.05-6.10pm London, Sport. South-West (Plymouth), Spotlight Sport. All Other English Regions, Sport/Regional News. 1.30am Close.

TYNE TEES As London except: 9.25am Morning Glory. 9.30 Father Murphy. 10.25-10.30 TT Time. 5.05pm News. 5.10-6.00 Whiz Kids. 12.10am Love is . . . 1.00 Post's Corner. Closedown.

HTV WEST As London except: 9.25am-9.30 Professor Kitzel. 12.10pm Newhart. 12.40 Closedown. HTV WALES: No variation.

CHANNEL As London except: 9.25am Thunderbirds. 10.20-10.30 Puffin's Pla(i)ce. 12.10am Closedown.

SCOTTISH 9.25am Cartoon. 9.35 Happy Days. 10.00 Sport Billy. 10.25-10.30 Cantinflas Show. 12.10am Late Call. 12.15 Protectors. 12.40 Closedown.

GRANADA As London except: 9.25am Eastern Tales. 9.40 Little Rascals. 10.05-10.30 Matt and Jenny on the Wilderness Trail. 12.10am Film: Where Does It Hurt? (Peter Sellers). 1.40 Closedown.

YORKSHIRE As London except: 9.25am Cartoon. 9.35 Joe 90. 10.00-10.30 University Challenge. 5.05pm Fall Guy. 12.10am Film: Green Shoes (George Cole). Thriller. 12.40 Closedown.

TVS As London except: 9.25am Augie Doggie. 9.30 Wheelie and the Chopper Bunch. 10.00-10.30 Batman. 5.05pm-6.00 Fall Guy. 12.10am Company, Closedown.

S4C Starts 2.30pm Week in Politics. 3.10 Bacchanal. 3.50 People's Minds. 5.15 Film: The Conspirators. 7.05 Where in the World! 7.35 Newyddion. 7.45 Newydd Bob Nos. 8.15 Byddin Y Teigr. 9.15 Bowls. 9.45 Cynhadledd '84. 9.55 Callan. 10.55 It Takes a Worried Man. 11.25 Film: Two-faced Woman. This is the last film that Greta Garbo made. She retired from the screen after filming ended. She plays a woman posing as her own notorious twin sister as part of a plan to win back her philandering husband. Also starring Melvyn Douglas, Constance Bennett and Roland Young. Directed by George Cukor. 1.05am Closedown.

ULSTER As London except: 9.25am Space 1999. 10.20-10.30 Cartoon. 5.10pm-6.00 Chips. 12.00 One of the Boys. 12.25am Sports Results. 12.30 News, Closedown.

BORDER As London, except: 9.25am Great Cartoon Stars. 9.35-10.30 Standby – Lights, Camera, Action. 12.10am Closedown.

ANGLIA As London, except: Starts 9.30am-10.30 Sesame Street. 12.10am Newhart. 12.40 At the end of the day, Closedown.

CENTRAL As London except: 9.25am Great Cartoon Stars. 9.35-10.30 Standby, Lights, Camera, Action! 12.10am Closedown.

GRAMPIAN As London except: Starts 9.30am Cartoon. 9.35 Smurfs. 10.00-10.30 Bits 'n Pieces. 12.10am Newhart. 12.40 Reflections. 12.45 Closedown.

TSW As London except: 9.25am Professor Kitzel. 9.30-10.30 Freeze Frame. 12.10am Postscript. 12.15 Closedown.

WHAT THE SYMBOLS MEAN. † Stereo. ★ Black and white. (r) Repeat.

Sunday

BBC 1

6.20 Open University. Until 8.50.

9.00 Pigeon Street. A See-Saw programme for the very young (r). 9.15 Knock Knock. Children's stories from around the world (r). 9.30 Encounters with Islam. The first of a new series about the Muslim faith. 10.00 Asian Magazine includes the first of a series of films about the principal centres of Asian culture in this country. The first report is on the Urdu Markaz in London.

10.30 The Silicon Factor. How the silicon chip might affect our lives and attitudes to work (r). 11.10 Coming of Age. A profile of five 18-year olds, among those million born the year Churchill died and the Beatles collected their MBEs (r).

12.00 Micro Live. Ian McNaught-Davis with the second of his live programmes about the world of microcomputers. 1.00 Farming. 1.25 Rockschool. The second of eight programmes for aspiring rock musicians (r).

1.50 News headlines. 1.55 Cartoon Double Bill.

2.15 Film: High Sierra* (1941) Starring Humphrey Bogart and Ida Lupino. Bogart stars as Roy Earle, a criminal just released from prison who makes his way to the High Sierra where an accomplice has set up headquarters to plan a robbery. When he gets there Earle discovers that one of the gang has brought along a woman. Directed by Raoul Walsh.

3.50 Bonanza. A man with failing eyesight returns to Virginia City determined to trace his brother's killer.

4.40 The 1983 Royal Tournament. Sir John Mills introduces highlights of last year's performances (r).

5.35 The World, the Flesh and the Devil. The first in a new series of quizzes between theological students. This evening Wycliffe Hall, Oxford meet The Queen's College, Birmingham.

6.00 News with Jan Leeming.

6.10 Beau Geste. Episode five of the eight-part dramatization of P. C. Wren's novel and the brothers make enemies of the sadistic Lejaune.

6.40 Home on Sunday. In the first of a new series Cliff Michelmore talks to Spike Milligan about his life, his faith and his favourite religious music (Ceefax titles page 170).

7.15 Film: Players (1979) starring Ali MacGraw, Dean-Paul Martin and Maximilian Schell. Tennis drama mixed with romance as a young Mexican tennis player reaches the final of the Wimbledon singles. But where is his girlfriend? Directed by Anthony Harvey. (First showing on British television).

9.10 News with Jan Leeming.

9.25 That's Life. Consumer affairs.

10.10 Omnibus. The first of a new series, introduced by Humphrey Burton. The programme includes a profile of 'Mr Broadway' – George Abbott and of a first-time performance of the Kyrie from Joseph Haydn's 'lost' Mass. It is performed by the BBC Welsh Chorus, conducted by Richard Hickox.

11.00 International Football. Highlights of the second semi-final of the European Championship, played in Lyon between Spain and Denmark.

11.45 Weather.

TV-am

7.25 Good Morning Britain begins with Thought for Sunday from Edwin Robinson.

7.30 Rub-a-Dub-Tub. Fun and games for young early risers

8.30 Good Morning Britain, presented by David Frost begins with news headlines with Jayne Irving and includes Jeni Barnett's Pick of the Week.

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9.25 LWT Information. 9.30 Me and My Micro. Part three of Fred Harris's series on about how to program home computers. 10.00 Morning Worship from St Mary's Parish Church, Whitkirk, near Leeds.

11.00 Link. Niam McAleer meets families who have coped with lifting and moving the physically handicapped. 11.30 Star Fleet. Episode II of the science fiction series.

12.00 England, Their England. A portrait of Peter and Lynn Collins, whose love of ballroom dancing has led to a number of odd situations (r). 12.30 Jobwatch. Roger Blyth and Shelley Rohde examine new technology.

1.00 Police 5. Shaw Taylor with more clues to unsolved crimes. 1.15 Eastern Tales. Sir Michael Hordern reads The Ugly Daughter, a fable from Islam. 1.30 The Groovy Ghoulies.

2.00 Credo. Philip Whitehead talks to the Archbishop of Canterbury about the Bishop-elect of Durham's assertion that many biblical accounts are expressions of faith rather than the literal truth.

2.30 London news headlines followed by Film: Goldengirl (1979) starring Susan Anton and James Coburn. A two-part film (part two tomorrow) about a top American girl athlete who is expected to attract $20 million of endorsements if she wins sprint medals in the Olympics. The agent hired to handle the business soon discovers that there is more to her than is apparent on the surface. Directed by Joseph Sargent.

4.00 The Smurfs. 4.30 Murphy's Mob. Football series (r).

5.00 The Goodies (r). 5.30 Magnum. Investigates a strange case involving a wealthy Japanese businessman.

6.30 News.

6.40 Topping on Sunday. Among Frank Topping's guests are Helen Gelzer, Wynford Evans and Lady Sue Ryder. Tonight's theme is a loving way of living.

7.15 Go for It. Comedy from a whole range of impressionists.

7.45 Film: Disaster in the Sky (1977). The inaugural flight of a new super airliner is endangered by the tampering of the hydraulics system of the 'plane by a peeved employee of the airline. Starring Doug McClure and Peter Graves.

9.15 News.

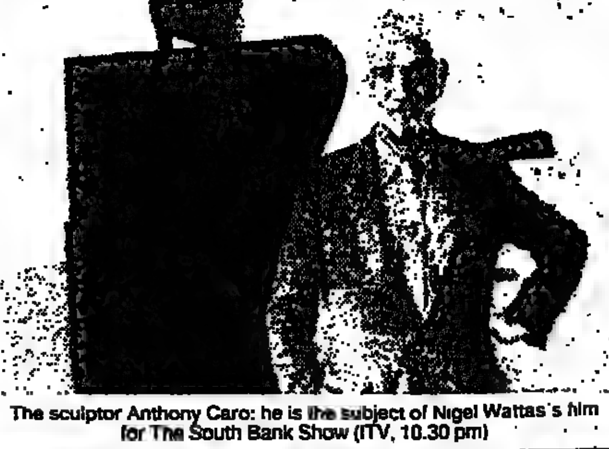
9.30 The Professionals. An ex-CI5 agent begins to try to kill his former chiefs. Can Bodie and Doyle get to him before he completes his task? (r).

10.30 The South Bank Show. A profile of sculptor, Anthony Caro.

11.30 London news headlines followed by Antibes Jazz Festival featuring singer Jon Hendricks.

12.00 Highway Patrol* (r).

12.30 Night Thoughts.



The sculptor Anthony Caro: he is the subject of Nigel Wattas's film for The South Bank Show (ITV, 10.30 pm)

BBC 2

6.25 Open University. Until 1.55.

1.55 Sunday Grandstand introduced by Desmond Lynam. Four sports featured this afternoon: Cricket – coverage of a John Player Special League game. Athletics – the U-Bix AAA Championships from Crystal Palace. Board Sailing – The Diners Club International Sporting Seven, and Cycling – a preview of next week's Tour de France in which Irishman Sean Kelly is expected to do well.

6.50 News Review. A digest of the week's news. With Jan Leeming. (Subtitled).

7.15 Sharing Time: For Business Reasons. The penultimate play in the series set in a time share flat of a converted manor house stars Eleanor Bron and Ronald Pickup as a couple who are on hand for their firm's guests – a prospective Dutch client and his wife – who have been lent the flat by the business firm. Philip (Pickup) knows that if he can clinch a deal his promotion is assured, but this test of his business acumen turns out a very different test to the one he and his wife envisaged. With Sheila Gish and Jonathan Newth (Ceefax titles page 270).

8.05 A Moment to Talk. A new series of programmes in which working men and women talk about their lives, jobs and concerns, begins with the professional footballers of Stoke City.

8.20 The Natural World: A Highly Desirable Residence. Rose Cottage is a dilapidated and damp building but a perfect home for an army of creatures. What will they do when it is modernized? (r).

9.10 The Levin Interviews. Sir Clive Sinclair is Bernard Levin's first guest in a new series of conversations. Sir Clive talks about today's technologies and his dreams for the future when "we may not be the most intelligent species on earth"

9.40 Summer Dances by members of the Danish Royal Ballet.

10.10 Film: Pictures (1981) starring Kevin J. Wilson. A New Zealand-made film about two brothers – one who has been commissioned to take pictures of the 1880s fighting between colonial soldiers and the Maoris, the other to present a flattering picture of Maori life. Directed by John O'Shea. (First showing on British television).

11.35 News with Jan Leeming.

11.45 Grand Prix. Highlights of the Detroit Grand Prix. Ends at 12.25.

CHANNEL 4

1.35 Irish Angle focuses on the women of the Aran Islands, off the west coast of Ireland. How do they cope with what has been described as the harshest climate in western Europe and with childbirth without a hospital?

2.05 Questions. Marcel Berlins's second guest is the President of the SDP, Shirley Williams. She talks about the morality of politics and about the dilemma she faced when, as a divorced Roman Catholic, she wanted to marry again.

2.35 Opera on Four: The Marriage of Figaro. Peter Hall's famous production of Figaro, recorded by Southern Television in 1973, is given its first complete transmission. The cast includes Knut Skram as Figaro, Ileana Cotrubas as Sussana, Benjamin Luxon as Count Almaviva, Kiri Te Kanawa as Countess Almaviva and Frederica Von Stade as Cherubino. The Glyndebourne Festival Chorus and London Philharmonic Orchestra are conducted by John Pritchard

5.45 News summary followed by Face the Press. Virginia Wade is in the hot seat and is asked, among other questions, whether or not bad behaviour on court should lead to a permanent ban from the tennis circuit. Her questioners are Anne Robinson, assistant editor of the Daily Mirror and The Guardian's Frank Keating.

6.15 The Mississippi. Lawyer Ben Walker is called upon to defend an old retainer on a charge of stealing her employer's valuable necklace.

7.15 Design: Milton Glaser. The second film of the series on various aspects of design features graphic artist Milton Glaser who is perhaps best known to the general public as the man who conceived the "I Love New York" campaign.

8.15 Upstairs, Downstairs. It is Christmas time and Lady Southwold's orphaned step-daughter, Georgina, befriends the maid who looks after her.

9.15 Country and Irish. The third of four films about country music examines the different aspects of Irish country music.

10.20 Film: Grand Hotel* (1932). Four guests at the luxury Berlin hotel find their lives intertwined. Grusinskaya, a ballerina, believes her career is on the wane; Kringelein, a clerk, is a dying man; Preysing, a bullying tycoon; and Flaemmchen, a typist, determined to live life to the full. Starring Greta Garbo, Lionel Barrymore, Wallace Beery and Joan Crawford. Directed by Edmund Goulding.

12.25 Closedown.

Radio 4

6.25 Shipping Forecast. 6.30 News; Morning Has Broken. 6.55 Weather; Travel; Programme News.

7.00 News. 7.10 Sunday Papers. 7.15 Apna Hi Ghar Samajhiye for Asians. 7.45 Bells. 7.50 Turning Over New Leaves. 7.55 Weather; Travel; Programme News.

8.00 News. 8.10 Sunday Papers. 8.15 Sunday. 8.50 Week's Good Cause. 8.55 Weather; Travel.

9.00 News. 9.10 Sunday Papers.

9.15 Letter From America by Alistair Cooke.

9.30 Morning Service from Wetherby Parish Church.

10.15 The Archers.

11.15 The Food Programme. Last edition in the current series with Derek Cooper.

11.40 Smash of the Day: "Dad's Army" based on the original TV series by Jimmy Perry and David Croft (r).

12.10 It's Your World: 01-580 4411. Listeners can put their questions to Paul Hartling, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (lines open from 10.30am). 12.55 Weather.

1.00 The World This Weekend: News. 1.55 Shipping Forecast.

2.00 News; Gardeners' Question Time visits Derbyshire.

2.30 Afternoon Theatre "The Plays of Giles Cooper" A series selected from the work of one of Radio's leading dramatists. Today: Unman, Wittering and Zigo. With Geoffrey Collins, Miriam Margolyes, Robert Lang and Hugh Dickson. Strange goings-on at a public school when a young and untried teacher arrives to confront the fifth form. †

3.45 Recollections of a Royal Milliner. With the Danish hat maker Aage Thaarup.

4.00 News: Origins. Last of seven programmes in which Malcolm Billings explores the world of Archaeology – "Peel Castle".

4.30 The Living World. A magazine edition reflecting the changing world of plants and animals: "What Future for the Tiger?"

5.00 News; Travel.

5.05 Down Your Way. Brian Johnston visits Lancaster. 5.05 Shipping. 5.55 Weather; Programme News.

6.00 News.

6.15 Soundings. The series that take a current issue and "sounds out" its moral and religious implications. With Chris Smith.

6.45 Feedback with Mary Whitehouse.

7.00 Travel; Deep Six. The last episode of this serial in six parts by John Fletcher†

7.30 Bookshelf. Radio 4's book programme. With Hunter Davies.

8.00 Letter from . . . Shandong. With Stephen Jessel.

8.15 Tour de France by Robin Magowan. With John Shrapnel†

9.00 News; The Moon and Sixpence by W. Somerset Maughan. The last of four episodes† 9.58 Weather.

10.00 News.

10.15 Enterprise. Winners of the Radio Times/Radio 4 Competition for Small Businesses (r).

11.00 Discoveries in Healing. The Rev Stanley Brinkman continues his exploration of the Christian experience of healing.

11.15 Inside Parliament.

12.10 News. Weather. 12.15 Close. Shipping Forecast.
England: VHF as above except: 6.45-7.45 Open University. 6.45 Industrial Relations. 7.05 Love in Shakespeare's England. 7.25 Skinheads. 4.00-6.00 Study on 4: 4.00 Patients' Guide to the NHS. 4.30 The Sporting Life. 5.00 Back on Course. 5.30 A Great Day Out . . . at a Safari Park.

Radio 3

7.55 Weather. 8.00 News.

8.05 Chamber Music by Dvorak: Four Slavonic Dances, Op 72 (4, 5, 6, and 7) played by Beroff and Collard, pianos; and Piano Quintet in A, Op 81 (Firkusny/Juilliard String Quartet)† 9.00 News.

9.05 Your Concert Choice: Chopin's Piano Concerto No 2 (Pogorelich/Chicago SO). Novak's Slovak Suite Op 32; and Gordon Jacob's Suite for recorder and strings†

10.30 Music Weekly: Includes Hans Keller on Britten and the string quartet; and a conversation with Rafael Kubelik, on his 70th birthday†

11.20 American Orchestras: Los Angeles Philharmonic (under Giulini) play Beethoven's Piano Concerto No 4 (soloist: Murray Perahia); Egmont overture; and (at 12.15) Dvorak's Symphony No 8†

1.00 Bach and Mendelssohn: Bach's Suite No 3 for cello; and Mendelssohn's Sonata in D major, Op 58. Colin Carr (cello) with Francis Grier†

2.00 BBC Philharmonic Orchestra: with Peter Donohoe (piano). Mussorgsky's (orch Shostakovich) Prelude: Khovanshchina; and Brahms's Piano Concerto No 2†

3.00 Mozart: Franz Schubert Quartet of Vienna play the String Quartet, K 499†

3.30 The Devil's Wall: Smetana's three-act opera, sung in Czech. Frantisek Vajnar conducts the Chorus and Symphony Orchestra of Czechoslovak Radio Prague. Cast includes Kocian, Jedlicka, Hanus, Svejda, Sounova, Marova and Sormova. Act one†

4.25 In the Test-tubes: The Czech poet Miroslav Holub in conversation with Graham Fawcett.

4.55 The Devil's Wall, the second act. The third act is at 5.45, with interval reading at 5.40†

6.30 The Composer Conducts: Bernard Rands. Madrigali: Etendre; Canti Lunatici. BBC SO, Dorothy Dorow (soprano) and Barry Guy (double-bass)†

7.45 The Scientists of the Strange: Conrad Phillips stars in Peter Redgrove's play, set in a Cornish house with a terrible history, where a tunnel leads to an ancient burial mound. Cast also includes Sarah-Jane Sickerton and Nat Brenner†

9.00 Royal Philharmonic Orchestra: a Royal Festival Hall concert, part one. With Janet Baker (mezzo). Debussy's Prelude a l'apres-midi d'un faune; and Ravel's Scheherazade†

9.30 Music's Freaks: Robert Stephens completes these readings from Berlioz's Les Grotesques de la Musique.

9.50 Royal Philharmonic Orchestra: concert, part two. Mahler's Symphony No 1†

10.55 Niels Viggo Bentzon: Royal Danish Orchestra, the composer and Anker Blyme and Herman D Koppel (pianos) play the Chamber Concerto for 11 instruments, Op 52†

11.15 News. Until 11.18.
VHF only: Open University 6.55 am Modern Art: Berlin Dada: 7.15 Two Worlds; 7.35 Language and Authority. Ends at 7.55am.

Radio 2

4.00 Steve Colmant 6.00 Sheila Tracy† 7.30 Paul McDowell says Good Morning Sunday: 9.00 David Jacobs† 11.00 Desmond Carrington. Radio 2 All-Time Greats† 12.30 The Random Jottings of Hinge and Brackett 12.59 Sport. 1.00 Jimmy Young with Two's Best† 2.00 Summer Sounds: Coverage of all of todays' main sporting events including Athletics: The U-Bix AAA Championships from Crystal Palace 6.00 Charlie Chester with your Sunday Soapbox. 7.00 Cynthia Glover Sings 7.30 Cricket Scores; Glamorous Nights with Robin Boyle. 8.30 Sunday Half-Hour from Dullyarnett Presbyterian Church, Londonderry. 9.00 Your Hundred Best Tunes with Alan Keith. 10.02 Sport. 10.05 Marching and Waltzing. 11.00 Sounds of Jazz (stereo from 12.00) including 11.02 Sport. 12.05 Sport. 1.00 Jean Challis presents Nightride† 3.00-4.00 Jimmy Young with Two's Best†

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REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

BBC 1 Wales: 10.10-10.35pm Welsh Conservative Conference Report. 10.35-11.00 Phil Silvers as Sgt Bilko in "Warrant Officer Paparelli" (black and white). 11.45-12.35am Omnibus (as BBC 1 10.10pm). 12.35 News of Wales headlines and weather. Close. Scotland: 1.00-1.25pm Landward. Scotland's farming programme. 11.45 Weather; Scottish news summary and weather; Close. Northern Ireland: 11.45 Weather; Northern Ireland news headlines and weather; Close. England: 11.50 Close.

CHANNEL As London except: Starts 1.25pm Starting Point. 1.30-2.00 Me and My Camera. 2.30 Gamia Big Band. 2.50 University Challenge. 3.20-4.30 Film: Escort for Hire. 5.30-6.30 Return of the Saint. 7.45-9.15 Golden Girl. 11.30 Police Squad. 12.00 Closedown.

TVS As London except: 9.25am-9.30 Farming Brief. 11.30-12.00 Animals in Action. 1.00pm Owzat! 1.30-2.00 Farming Diary. 4.00-4.30 Greystoke, Making of a Myth. 5.30 News. 5.35-6.30 Chips. 11.30 Protectors. 12.00 Company, Closedown.

BORDER As London except: 9.25am-9.30 Border Diary. 11.30-12.00 Farming Outlook. 1.00pm Border Diary. 1.05-2.00 Nature of Things. 2.30 Falcon Crest. 3.25 Battlestar Galactic. 4.20-4.30 Cartoon. 5.30 Flintstones. 6.00-6.30 Try for Ten. 7.45-9.15 Golden Girl. 11.30 Closedown.

CENTRAL As London except: 9.25am Professor Kitzel. 9.30-10.00 About Britain. 11.30-12.00 Me and My Micro. 1.00pm University Challenge. 1.30-2.00 Here and Now. 2.30-4.30 Film: Knights of the Round Table (Robert Taylor). 5.30-6.30 Falcon Crest. 7.45-9.15 Golden Girl. 11.30 Jazz. 12.30am Closedown.

ANGLIA As London except: Starts 9.30-10.00 Once Upon a Time . . . Man. 11.30-12.00 Me and My Micro. 1.00pm Laurel and Hardy.* 1.25 Weather. 1.30-2.00 Farming Diary. 4.00-4.30 Goodies. 5.00 Winner Takes All. 5.30-6.30 Return of the Saint. 11.30 Devlin Connection. 12.30am People Like Us, Closedown.

ULSTER As London except: Starts 11.00am Link. 11.30-12.00 Me and My Micro. 1.00pm University Challenge. 1.30-2.00 Bygones. 2.30 Return of the Saint. 3.30-4.30 Little House on the Prairie. 5.30-6.30 Whiz Kids. 7.45-9.15 Golden Girl. 11.30 Sports Results. 11.35 Hands. 12.00 News, Closedown.

S4C Starts 1.35pm Black on Black. 2.35 Opera: Marriage of Figaro. 5.45 7 Days. 6.15 Mississippi. 7.15 Ffenmwyr. 7.20 Newyddion. 7.30 Cenwch Yn Llafar. 8.00 Mae Hi'n Wyth Mr Borrow. 8.45 Byd Cerdd. 9.40 Design. 10.35 American Caesar. 11.05 Film: Portrait of Jenny.

GRANADA As London except: 9.25am Professor Kitzel. 9.30-10.00 Greatest Thinkers. 11.00 Me and My Micro. 11.25 Aap Kaa Hak. 11.30-12.00 This Is Your Right. 1.00pm University Challenge. 1.30-2.00 One of the Boys. 2.30-4.30 Film: Robbery (Stanley Baker). 5.00 That's Hollywood. 5.30-6.30 Return of the Saint. 7.45-9.15 Golden Girl. 11.30 Last Outlaw. 12.30am Closedown.

SCOTTISH As London except: 9.25am-9.30 Cartoon. 10.00-11.00 Sesame Street. 11.30-12.00 Mork and Mindy. 1.00pm University Challenge. 1.30 Farming Outlook. 2.00 No Easy Answer. 2.30 Eastern Tales. 2.45 Glen Michael Cavalcade. 3.30 Murphy's Mob. 4.00-5.00 Chips. 5.30-6.30 Falcon Crest. 7.45-9.15 Golden Girl. 11.30 Late Call. 11.35 Irish RM. 12.35am Closedown.

GRAMPIAN As London except: 9.25am Professor Kitzel. 9.30 Sport Billy. 10.00-11.00 Sesame Street. 11.30-12.00 Me and My Micro. 1.00pm University Challenge. 1.30-2.00 Farming Outlook. 2.30 Survival. 3.00 Return of the Saint. 4.00-4.30 Phyllis Diller Show. 5.30-6.30 Fall Guy. 7.45-9.15 Golden Girl. 11.30 James Michener's USA. 12.30am Reflections, Closedown.

YORKSHIRE As London except: 9.25am-10.00 Link. 11.00 Me and My Micro. 11.30-12.00 Farming Diary. 1.00pm Cartoon. 1.15 Eastern Tales. 1.30-2.00 Lincolnshire Show. 2.30 Smurfs. 2.45-4.30 Film: White Feather (Robert Wagner). 5.30-6.30 Return of the Saint. 7.45-9.15 Golden Girl. 11.30 Evening at Pops.

HTV WEST As London except: 9.25am Professor Kitzel. 9.30-10.00 Vicky the Viking. 11.30-12.00 Me and My Micro. 1.00pm University challenge. 1.30-2.00 Farming Wales. 2.30-4.30 Film: Will Penny (Charlton Heston). 5.30-6.30 Falcon Crest. 7.45-9.15 Golden Girl. 11.30 Snooker. HTV WALES: No variation.

TSW As London except: 9.30am-10.00 Link. 11.00 Me and My Micro. 11.25 Look and See. 11.30-12.00 South West Week. 1.00pm Gardens for All. 1.30-2.00 Farming News. 2.30 An Canker Seth. 2.40 Fisheries News. 2.50 University Challenge. 3.20-4.30 Escort for Hire. 5.30-6.30 Return of the Saint. 7.45-9.15 Golden Girl. 11.30 Police Squad. 12.00 Postscript, Closedown.

TYNE TEES As London except: 9.25am Morning Glory. 9.30-10.00 Link. 11.00 Me and My Micro. 11.28 Lookaround. 11.30-12.00 Groovie Goolies. 1.00pm University Challenge. 1.30-2.00 Farming Outlook. 4.00 Battlestar Galactica. 5.00 Murphy's Mob. 5.32-6.30 Falcon Crest. 7.45-9.15 Golden Girl. 11.30 Stephan Grapelli. 12.30am Toft Hill Ringers, Closedown.

Unita lets 20 Czechs go free for high price

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now, all of them medical workers.

It is known, however, that when the 64 Czechoslovaks were taken by Unita from the wood pulp mill at Alto Catumbela in March, 1983, there were more than 24 working at the Tatra lorry and Zetor tractor plants at Lobito. Its is also known that workers who were away from Angola at the time did not return.

In what was planned as a repeat of the visit of Sir John Leahy, a senior British Foreign Office diplomat, who came to Jamba last month to witness the release of the 17 British hostages, Dr Jonas Savimbi, the Unita leader, brought the world's press to witness him meeting representatives of the hostages' Governments. This time, however, the embarrassed Government was among the MPLA's main backers.

Mr Svoboda avoided the military and cultural parade laid on by Unita by arriving several hours late, but he greeted Dr Savimbi as "Mr President" when he met him outside the reed hut where he was to stay on Wednesday night.

To add to his discomfort, Mr Svoboda had to spend the two previous nights in Johannesburg. He stayed at the Red Cross House there and refused to meet South African officials.

"I'm here at last", he said when he met the hostages. He handed them letters from their families and passed around Czechoslovak cigarettes.

The hostages looked fit and tanned, but were considerably less enthusiastic about their ordeal than the British hostages were. Like them, they were forced by Unita to sign documents promising never to return to Angola until the war was over.

When they arrived in the Unita-held territory after their three-month march on which one hostage died, the women and children were sent back to Czechoslovakia.

The rest were kept in pairs in isolation for seven months. One described the experience as "mental torture". No explanation for this was given by Unita.

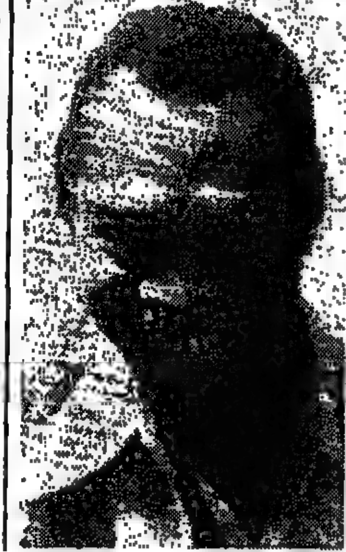
The freed hostages and Mr Svoboda flew from the airstrip near Jamba to Pretoria yesterday before returning to Prague

Smiling Savimbi, page 6

Musician's wives outnumber his band











The Nigerian musician Fela Anikulapo Kuti (left) and six of the nine wives who were with him when he arrived in London yesterday for a two-week tour with his band, Egypt 80. Sadly, perhaps, Fela Kuti was forced to leave his other 18 wives at home. All 27 – more than the players in his band – come from the tiny Nigerian village Fela Kuti once tried to declare an independent republic. When the authorities disagreed he took the women into exile in Ghana and married them.

(Photograph: Dod Miller).

Letter from Long Beach

Atlantic queen on a golden pond

Soon she will be 50. Despite all the breathless platitudes about the Queen Mary, she does look terribly peculiar sitting in her permanent pond of 47 feet of the Pacific, growing old with very little dignity.

But she does make a profit at last, which has finally endeared her to the taxpayers of Long Beach, California, who until now have been extremely ambivalent about this money-gobbling Clydeside marvel.

She made her final journey to America 18 years ago, bought by the city of Long Beach for her scrap value of $3,450,000 (£2,464,000). For 16 years she was a loss-making, poorly-run hotel but new management – the Wrather Corporation, based in Beverley Hills, whose empire includes the Disneyland Hotel – has finally made the Queen profitable. Wrather gave her a $20m clean-up in 1981 and, according to its publicity blurb, she "again sparkles as the pride of Brittish shipbuilding".

The Hotel Queen Mary, as she is known, rises and falls with the tides although, for all planning and insurance purposes she is officially a building. She has a "captain" who lives permanently on board and none of the 1,000 "crew" would think of calling him anything else.

"Captain" John Gregory, born in Hampstead and now a naturalized American, was a hotel manager in Glasgow when the Queen Mary rolled down the slipway at the John Brown yard on September 26, 1934. He gives the impression of being privately amused by all the make-believe that goes with his unique job, although he goes about his business with a formal, official seriousness.

An ordained priest in the Church of Antioch, he also serves as the ship's "chaplain", conducting about 500 weddings on board each year. "They like the idea of a captain marrying them," he says. "We have a lovely chapel." He also conducts christenings, renewals of vows, baptisms and Mass. "The captain is the most popular figure on the ship", he says.

Captain Gregory is working on ideas for the Queen Mary's fiftieth birthday, which will be a gala event for southern California. "I would like to get a proclamation from the Provost of Clydebank, saying something like 'We made the best ship in the world and thanks for taking care of her'. Perhaps we'll be able to bring him over to present it."

The Hotel Queen Mary is a warren of bars and restaurants, all with a hint of the highbrow. The cost of accommodation is not especially prohibitive, although you pay more for a cabin with portholes. There have been dreadful stories about cockroaches undermining all this dignity, to which the captain replies: "They are the most tenacious of insects. I will not deny that there are cockroaches but the programme we now have in force is so good that I challenge anyone to find any."

He acknowledges that the Long Beach taxpayers did not initially respond kindly to the Queen Because of the cost. "They spent a lot of money," he said. "I hear all sorts of figures – 20 million, 30 million. I don't know what the truth is. Some say 60 million. But now that it's a success and making money for the city they are all starting to say it's beautiful. It's lovely."

The Queen will be in heavy demand during this year's Los Angeles Olympics, since some of the events – including yachting – will be held in Long Beach. This will all help to boost her unaccustomed profitability. At the end of her Atlantic career she was costing Cunard $2m a year.

These days she shares Long Beach with Mr Howard Hughes's wooden aeroplane Spruce Goose, which had the biggest wing-span of any aircraft that has flown although it went only one mile before Mr Hughes hid it away for 30 years. This amazing creature is housed directly alongside the Queen.

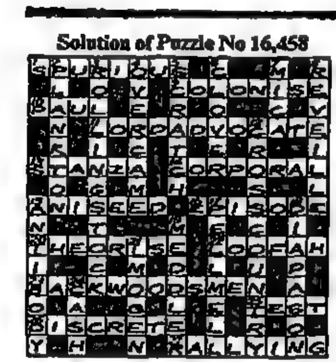
Reports indicate that the Queen's hull is sound, although it will eventually need scraping.

Recently workmen were clambering all over the wheelhouse, setting up a sound and light exhibition depicting the Queen in a crisis, heading for a collision. Somehow all this fantasy seems a little ignominous for the old lady.

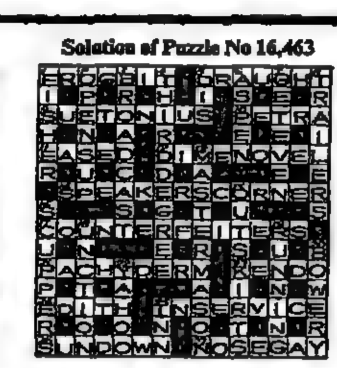
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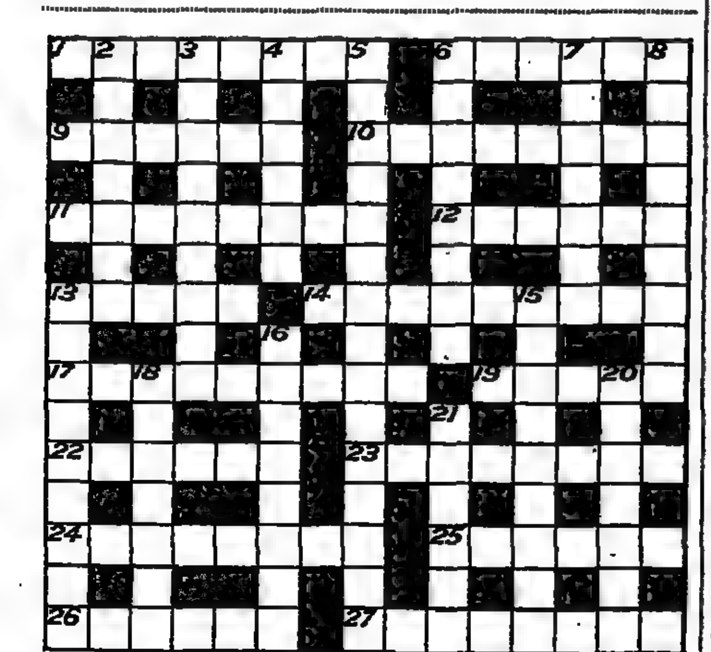
A prize of The Times Atlas of the World (comprehensive edition) will be given for the first three correct solutions opened next Thursday. Entries should be addressed to: The Times Saturday Crossword Competition, 12 Coley Street, London WC99 9YT. The winners and solution will be published next Saturday.

The winners of last Saturday's competition are:

Mrs P. M. Timmins, Shuh-Shuh-Guh, Heronsgate Road, Chorleywood, Herts.; Mrs D. Clubley, 74 Cambridge Road, Middlesbrough, Cleveland; Dr H. J. Pollitt, 7 Bruton Avenue, Bromsgrove, Worcs.

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ACROSS

1 Chrysanthemum giving excitement to one or two (8).
6 Gathered in folds in Scotland (6).
9 Whipped and spread thin (6).
10 Though unfinished, the Song of Solomon contains much (8).
11 Help to become Quaker (8).
12 Ready to get married in blue creation (6).
13 Is Lambeth part of this religion? (5).
14 What one member may make of the Rotary movement (9).
17 Warning of something ridiculous – a forward guide (9).
19 Burnt a powder (5).
22 It can be made to retain images (6).
23 Subordinate gets order to miss game, perhaps (8).
24 Edmund's goose step, for example (8).
25 Fish noises (6).
26 This officer is young to be on the staff (6).
27 Means of propulsion but not for a punt (4-4).

DOWN

2 How Samson went through the mill at Gaza (7).
3 A pretext one can give to destroy (9).
4 London dog was so white (6).
5 Prayer Book assurance that there will be neither bang nor whimper (5,7,3).
6 Buckle or hook in kind of suit (8).
7 Follower of 13th century philosophy, even if obscure (7).
8 The best one can do, like Kipling's gentlemen-rankers? (9).
13 Can't bear to make a deduction on a silk hat (9).
15 Unsuccessful batsman's claim to get a flier (9).
16 Quote for decorations (8).
18 Tack, or sometimes iron these (7).
20 Of the nervy sort – that is to say, one with a twitch (7).
21 A go-slow by the Musicians' Union? (6).

CONCISE CROSSWORD PAGE 16

Today's events

Royal engagements

Princess Margaret, as president of the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, attends a ball at the Brighton Centre, 9.55.

New exhibitions

Work by Boyd Webb, City Art Gallery, Headrow, Leeds; Mon to Fri 10 to 6, Wed 10 to 9, Sat 10 to 4, Sun 2 to 5; (until July 29).

Charlie Meecham and Garry Miller, landscape photographers, Festival Gallery, Pierrepont Place, Bath; Tues to Sat 11 to 5, Sun and Mon closed; (ends July 21).

Paintings and drawings by Peter Greenham, Cirencester Workshops, Brewery Ct, Glos; Mon to Sat 10 to 5.30, Sun closed; (until July 21).

Tomorrow

Royal engagements

Prince Andrew presents the prizes at the British Helicopter Championships, Castle Ashby, Northants, 11.

The Duke of Gloucester attends the Festival of Architecture's 'Son et Lumiere' pageant at Moor Park, near Rickmansworth, Herts, 6.

Prince and Princess Michael of Kent attend the Anton Dolin Gala at the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden WC2, 7.15.

Anniversaries

TODAY

Births: Anna Akhmatova, peot, Bolshoy Fontan, Russia, 1889; Duke of Windsor, reigned as Edward VIII Jan 20, 1936 to Dec 11, 1936, White Lodge, Richmond Park, 1894. Deaths: Sir James Hall, Geologist, Edinburgh, 1832; James Mill, economist and philosopher, London 1836; Cecil Sharp, founder of the English Folk Dance Society, London, 1924.

TOMORROW

Births: Horatio Herbert, Earl Kitchener, Listowel, co Kerry, 1850. Deaths: John Hampden parliamentarian, Thame, Oxfordshire, 1643; Adam Lindsay Gordon, poet, New Brighton, Australia, 1870; Grover Cleveland, 22nd president of the USA 1885-89, Princeton, New Jersey, 1908; Walter Rathenau, statesman, assassinated, Berlin, 1922. Forces of Robert the Bruce defeated those of Edward II at Bannockburn, 1314.

The pound

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	1.63	1.56
Austria Sch	27.90	26.30
Belgium Fr	80.75	76.75
Canada $	1.83	1.76
Denmark Kr	14.41	13.71
Finland Mkk	8.32	7.92
France Fr	12.00	11.50
Germany DM	3.93	3.74
Greece Dr	157.00	148.00
Hongkong $	11.07	10.47
Italy Lira	2410.00	2310.00
Japan Yen	335.00	319.00
Netherlands Gld	4.44	4.22
Norway Kr	11.14	10.64
Portugal Esc	200.00	192.00
South Africa Rd	2.16	2.02
Spain Pta	216.50	206.50
Sweden Kr	11.50	11.00
Switzerland Fr	3.28	3.11
USA $	1.41	1.36
Yugoslavia Dnr	187.00	177.00
Ireland	1.29	1.23

Retail Price Index: 351.0.

London: The *FT* Index closed down 7.4 at 811.7.

In the garden

Time now to plant winter brassicas: Brussels sprouts, winter cabbages and sprouting broccoli. Watch for blackfly on the broad beans; spray with appropriate insecticide and pinch out the growing tips when the plants are large enough. Greenfly are around in large numbers now, especially watch your roses and lilies.

Foliage of daffodils and small bulbs that is now brown or nearly so may be cut off now. Pick off dead heads of pansies to prolong their flowering. This is a good time to sow pansies. The modern F1 and very large flowering varieties, sown now will flower in the autumn, off and on through the winter and well into next summer.

Check ties holding roses or other climbers to their supports and renew if necessary. Torrential thunderstorms can break these away and they can be difficult to put back in position.

Prop up plants in the front of borders if they are likely to flop over on to the grass. If left, they can cause a bare patch in a very short time. RH

Gardens open

TODAY AND TOMORROW

Hertfordshire: Hatfield House, Hatfield; famous gardens open every day except Mondays until October 7; special festival of gardening with special displays, demonstrations and talks on all aspects of gardening; 10 to 6 today and tomorrow. Powys: Glanusk Park, 2m W of Crickhowell, off A40, 12m from Brecon, 8m from Abergavenny; 4 acres, formal garden, fine trees, kitchen garden; 2 to 6.

TOMORROW

Berkshire: Wasing Place, Aldermaston, off A340 at Aldermaston at signs to Brimpton, then ½m on left; walled flower garden, shrubs, fine trees, greenhouses, P; 2 to 6. Essex: Glazenwood, Bradwell, nr Braintree, 1m S of A120 Braintree-Coggeshall road; spacious grounds in woodland setting, fine roses, unusual trees and flowering shrubs; P; 2 to 6. *Gloucestershire: Cotswold Farm, 5m N of Cirencester on A417, signposted immediately W of Five Mile House Inn; terraces, shrubs, mixed borders, rock plants, shrub roses, walled kitchen garden; 2 to 6. Gloucestershire: Rodmarton Manor, Rodmarton, nr Cirencester, 6m SW of Cirencester, 4m NE of Tetbury off A433; large terraced garden, variegated and unusual plants; P; 2 to 6. Tetbury; five imaginative town gardens; plants and antiques for sale; 2 to 6. Kent: Doddington Place, Doddington, nr Sittingbourne; 10 acres, set in park, with woodland garden, large rock garden and formal sunk garden; 2 to 6. Goodnestone Park, nr Wingham, Canterbury, S of B2046 from A2 to Wingham; 5-6 acres, woodland and walled gardens, old roses; P when available; also open July 1, 2 to 6. Sussex: Coates Manor, nr Fittleworth; from Fittleworth S for ½m on B2138; 1 acre mainly shrubs and foliage of special interest; also open tomorrow and Tuesday, 11 to 6. North Yorkshire: Kepwick Hall, 4m N of Thirsk; large well maintained garden, fine trees, rhododendrons, roses, herbaceous kitchen garden and glass; 2 to 6. Wiltshire: Manor House, Alvediston, nr Salisbury, off A30 Salisbury-Shaftesbury for 12m, L at Alvediston. From Shaftesbury R after 8m; 3 acres, herbaceous, old roses, lily pond, herb garden; 2 to 6.

P = Plants for sale.

Roads

North: Tyne Bridge, only one lane in use, either direction. Alternative routes to cross the Tyne are: New Redheugh Bridge, High Level Bridge, Swing Bridge, Tyne Tunnel or Scotswood Bridge. Stalybridge: Carnival parade, town centre closed between 1.30 and 3pm. A696/A6125: Delays due to a fair at Newcastle Hoppings, Town Moor, Grandstand Road.

Scotland: M74: North of A70, British Telecom work, southbound inside lane closed. A80/M80: Castlecarry Arches to Bankhead, junction 5 for survey and studs, eastbound slow lane closed and both slow lanes closed westbound. Paisley to Arkleston roundabout two way traffic on south side, roundabout diversions, east bound access to M8 closed.

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Pollen forecast

	Pollen count	Peak times
Aberdeen	low	noon to 3pm
Basildon	high	3 to 6 pm
Bath	high	3 am to 6 am
Belfast	med	6 to 9 pm
Bradford	high	6 to 9 pm
Brighton	med	–
Carlisle	med	noon to 3 pm
Darlington	low	noon to 3 pm
Dudley	high	noon to 3 pm
Edinburgh	med	noon to 3 pm
Exeter	high	3 to 6 pm
Glasgow	med	noon to 3 pm
Hull	high	6 to 9 pm
Leeds	high	6 to 9 pm
Lincoln	high	6 to 9 pm
London	high	3 to 6 pm
Maidstone	high	noon to 3 pm
Norwich	high	3 to 6 pm
Preston	low	noon to 3 pm
Reading	–	–
Rotherham	high	6 to 9 pm
Runcorn	low	noon to 3 pm
Salford	high	noon to 3 pm
Southampton	high	3 to 6 pm
Swansea	low	m'night to 3 am
Tewkesbury	high	noon to 3 pm
Warwick	high	noon to 3 pm

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Portfolio rules

How to play – Daily Dividend

On each day your unique set of eight numbers will represent commercial and industrial shares published in *The Times Portfolio* list which will appear on the Stock Exchange Prices page.

In the column provided next to your shares note the price change (+ or –), in pence, as published in that day's *Times*.

After listing the price changes of your eight shares for that day, add up all eight share changes to give you your overall total plus or minus (+ or –).

Check your overall total against *The Times Portfolio* dividend published on the Stock Exchange Prices page.

If your overall total matches *The Times Portfolio* dividend you have won outright or a share of the total prize money stated for that day and must claim your prize as instructed opposite.

How to play – Weekly Dividend

Monday – Saturday record your daily *Portfolio* total.

Add these together to determine your weekly *Portfolio* total.

If your total matches the published weekly dividend figure you have won outright or a share of the prize money stated for that week, and must claim your prize as instructed below.

How to claim

Telephone *The Times Portfolio* claims line 0254-53272 between 10.00 am and 3.30 pm, on the day your overall total matches *The Times Portfolio* Dividend. No claims can be accepted outside these hours.

You must have your card with you when you telephone.

If you are unable to telephone someone else can claim on your behalf but they must have your card and call *The Times Portfolio* claims line between the stipulated times.

No responsibility can be accepted for failure to contact the claims office for any reason within the stated hours.

The above instructions are applicable to both daily and weekly dividend claims.

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Weather

Troughs of low pressure approaching the UK from the NW.

London, SE, Cen S, E, Cen N, NE England, Midlands: Sunny periods in morning, becoming cloudy later with a little rain in places, wind NW moderate, max temp 20C (68F).

Channel Islands, SW, NW England, Wales, Lake District, Isle of Man, N Ireland: Becoming cloudy with rain spreading from W, perhaps clear intervals later, wind W to NW moderate or fresh, max temp 17C (63F).

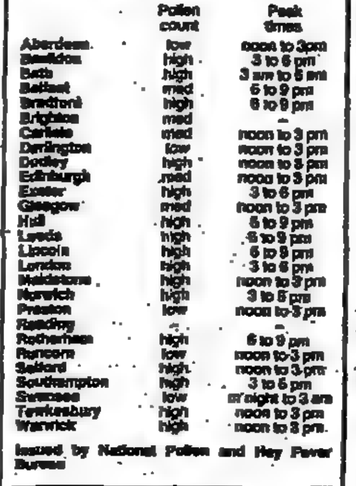
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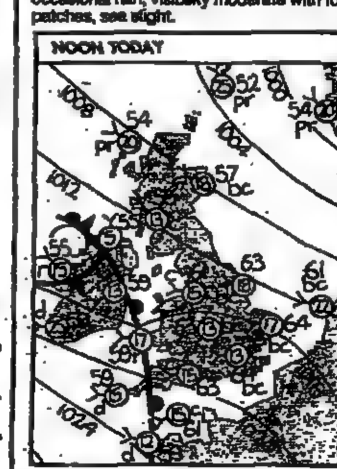
SW, NW Scotland, Glasgow, Cen Highlands, Argyll: Becoming cloudy with a little rain in places, wind W to NW moderate, max temp 15C (59F).

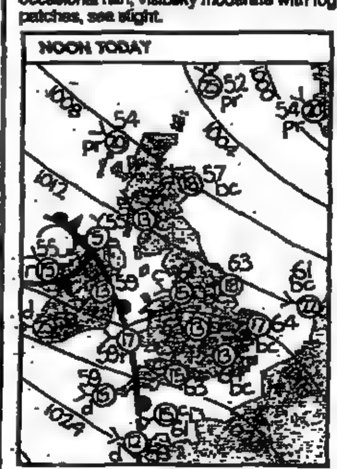
Outlook for Tomorrow and Monday: Changeable with outbreaks of rain or drizzle but some brighter interludes.

SEA PASSAGES: S North Sea: wind NW strong, showers, visibility good, sea rough or very rough. Straits of Dover, English Channel (E): wind W fresh or strong, rain later, visibility good becoming moderate with fog patches, sea moderate or rough. St George's Channel: wind W fresh or strong, occasional rain, visibility moderate with fog patches, sea moderate or rough. Irish Sea: wind light or moderate, occasional rain, visibility moderate with fog patches, sea slight.

NOON TODAY







TODAY

Sun rises: 4.44 am | Sun sets: 9.22 pm

Moon rises: 1.52 am | Moon sets: 3.07 pm

New Moon: June 29.

TOMORROW

Sun rises: 4.44 am | Sun sets: 9.22 pm

Moon rises: 2.06 am | Moon sets: 4.18 pm

Lighting-up time

TODAY

London 9.52 pm to 4.14 am
Bristol 10.01 pm to 4.24 am
Edinburgh 10.33 pm to 3.57 am
Manchester 10.12 pm to 4.10 am
Penzance 10.06 pm to 4.43 am

TOMORROW

London 9.52 pm to 4.14 am
Bristol 10.01 pm to 4.24 am
Edinburgh 10.33 pm to 3.58 am
Manchester 10.12 pm to 4.11 am
Penzance 10.06 pm to 4.43 am

Yesterday

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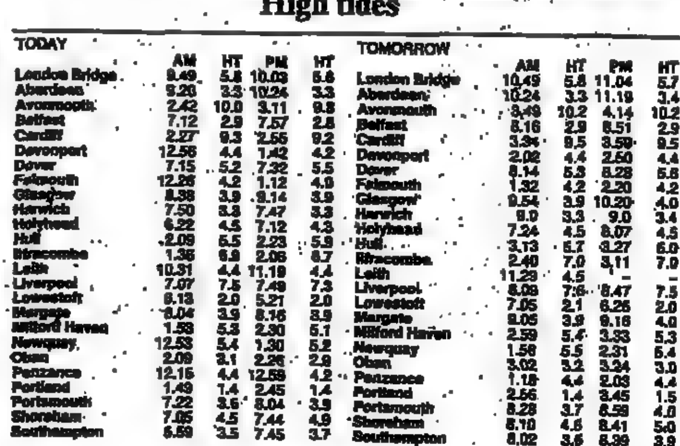
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Birmingham	c	19	66	Inverness	f	15	59
Blackpool	f	15	59	Jersey	c	13	55
Bristol	c	16	61	London	c	19	66
Cardiff	c	15	59	Manchester	c	14	57
Edinburgh	f	15	59	Newcastle	c	14	57
Glasgow	c	14	57	Ronaldsway	c	15	59

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High tides



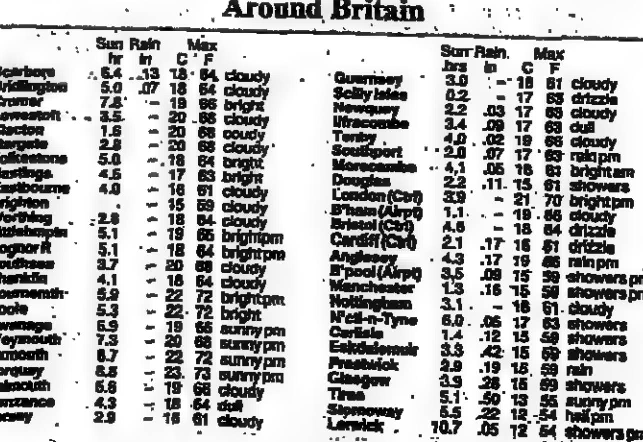
TODAY

	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	9.49	5.8	10.03	5.6
Aberdeen	9.20	3.3	10.24	3.3
Avonmouth	2.42	10.0	3.11	9.8
Belfast	7.12	2.9	7.57	2.8
Cardiff	2.27	9.3	2.55	9.2
Devonport	12.56	4.4	1.42	4.2
Dover	7.15	5.2	7.32	5.5
Falmouth	12.26	4.2	1.12	4.0
Glasgow	8.38	3.9	9.14	3.9
Harwich	7.50	3.3	7.47	3.3
Holyhead	6.22	4.5	7.12	4.3
Hull	2.09	6.5	2.23	5.9
Ilfracombe	1.36	6.9	2.05	6.7
Leith	10.31	4.4	11.19	4.4
Liverpool	7.07	7.5	7.49	7.3
Lowestoft	6.13	2.0	5.21	2.0
Margate	8.04	3.9	8.16	3.9
Milford Haven	1.53	5.3	2.30	5.1
Newquay	12.53	5.4	1.30	5.2
Oban	2.09	3.1	2.26	2.9
Penzance	12.15	4.4	12.59	4.2
Portland	1.49	1.4	2.45	1.4
Portsmouth	7.22	3.6	8.04	3.9
Shoreham	7.05	4.5	7.44	4.9
Southampton	6.59	3.5	7.45	3.7

TOMORROW

	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	10.49	5.8	11.04	5.7
Aberdeen	10.24	3.3	11.19	3.4
Avonmouth	3.49	10.2	4.14	10.2
Belfast	8.16	2.9	8.51	2.9
Cardiff	3.34	9.5	3.59	9.5
Devonport	2.02	4.4	2.50	4.4
Dover	8.14	5.3	8.28	5.8
Falmouth	1.32	4.2	2.20	4.2
Glasgow	9.54	3.9	10.20	4.0
Harwich	9.0	3.3	9.0	3.4
Holyhead	7.24	4.5	8.07	4.5
Hull	3.13	5.7	3.27	6.0
Ilfracombe	2.40	7.0	3.11	7.0
Leith	11.29	4.5	–	–
Liverpool	8.08	7.6	8.47	7.5
Lowestoft	7.05	2.1	6.26	2.0
Margate	9.05	3.9	9.16	4.0
Milford Haven	2.59	5.4	3.33	5.3
Newquay	1.58	5.5	2.31	5.4
Oban	3.02	3.2	3.24	3.0
Penzance	1.18	4.4	2.03	4.4
Portland	2.56	1.4	3.45	1.5
Portsmouth	8.28	3.7	8.59	4.0
Shoreham	8.10	4.6	8.41	5.0
Southampton	8.02	3.6	8.39	3.9

Around Britain



	Sun hr	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Scarboro	6.4	.13	18	64	cloudy
Bridlington	5.0	.07	18	64	cloudy
Cromer	7.8	–	19	66	bright
Lowestoft	3.5	–	20	68	cloudy
Clacton	1.6	–	20	68	cloudy
Margate	2.8	–	20	68	cloudy
Folkestone	5.0	–	18	64	bright
Hastings	4.5	–	17	63	bright
Eastbourne	4.0	–	16	61	cloudy
Brighton		–	15	59	cloudy
Worthing	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Littlehampton	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Bognor R	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Southsea	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Shanklin	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Bournemouth	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Poole	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Swanage	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Weymouth	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Exmouth	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Torquay	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Falmouth	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Penzance	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Jersey	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Guernsey	3.0	–	16	61	cloudy
Scilly Isles	0.2	–	17	63	drizzle
Newquay	2.2	.03	17	63	cloudy
Ilfracombe	3.4	.09	17	63	dull
Tenby	4.0	.02	19	66	cloudy
Southport	2.0	.07	17	63	rain pm
Morecambe	4.1	.05	16	61	bright am
Douglas	2.2	.11	15	61	showers
London (Ctrl)	3.9	–	21	70	bright pm
B'ham (Airpt)	1.1	–	19	66	cloudy
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Abroad



MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; fg, fog; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow.

		C	F
Ajaccio	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Akrotiri	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Alexandria	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Algiers	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Amsterdam	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Athens	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Bahrain	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
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Bermuda*	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Biarritz	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Boulogne	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
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C'blanca	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
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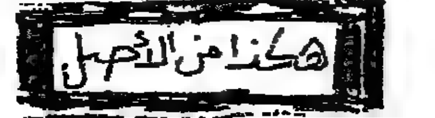
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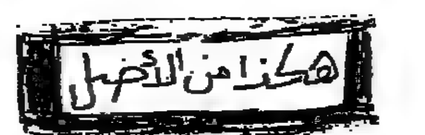
Highest and lowest

Yesterday: Highest day temp: [illegible] (73F); lowest day max: [illegible]; highest rainfall: [illegible]; highest sunshine: Lerwick 10.7 hr.

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Portfolio starts today

Times Portfolio, the new Stock Exchange game starts today. The *Times Portfolio* list of 40 companies appears at the top of column one on the prices page (page 16).

A prize of £2,000 can be won outright today and in addition totals counted towards the weekly prize of £20,000. Entry is free to anyone with a *Times Portfolio* share card.

The game is based on the share movements of companies in the special *Times Portfolio* that correspond to the eight numbers on the cards.

Cards have been distributed free over the weekend with *The Times* and with the colour magazine of *The Sunday Times*. Demand for both newspapers has been great. Readers who failed to obtain a card should send a stamped addressed envelope to:
The Times Portfolio,
PO Box 40,
Blackburn BB1 6AJ.

A list of rules, instructions on how to play, and how to claim are published in the Information Service on today's back page.

Europe's leaders gather in new mood of hope

By Julian Haviland and Ian Murray

The 10 heads of government of the European Community will gather at Fontainebleau today in the restrained but growing hope that they will at last achieve a draft agreement on the reshaping of the Community's finances.

Officials in several Community capitals spoke yesterday of a new willingness on all sides to reach agreement on redistributing the burden of costs, or finding a solution to what Britain's partners choose to call the British budget problem.

The hopes are founded mainly on new evidence of the British Government's willingness to reduce the level of rebate being sought for 1985, on which later rebates, to be paid under a permanent mechanism, will be calculated.

But the determination of President Mitterrand of France, as chairman of the European Council, to succeed in his aim of relaunching the Community, and the intense efforts of French diplomats to bridge the gap, have also raised expectations.

Britain has made it clear that it is prepared to demand less provided the others will offer more. The financial gap over a starting figure for the new system, which was agreed in principle at the last summit in Brussels in March, is believed to have shrunk from £150m then to no more than about £30m now.

But difficult pholosophical gaps remain to be bridged. Some of the nine are having second thoughts about the system, and there has been talk instead of offering Britain a simple annual rebate of about two-thirds of its net contribution.

The British side insist, however, that discussions at Fontainebleu must be resumed on the basis of the text agreed at Brussels, which relates each country's net contributions to its ability to pay.

The fairer sharing of costs is crucially linked with the two other urgent practicial problems of controlling the Community's spending and increasing its resources, which the Stuttgart summit in June last year agreed must be tackled. The difficulties of reaching agreement on all three points defeated the 10 leaders in Athens last December and Brussels last March, and may floor them again.

President Mitterrand means to start proceedings today with a three-hour discussion on the international situation before turning to the "British problem". This will give him the chance to report on his recent visit to Moscow while officials of the 10 delegations have a further meeting to reduce differences over the budget.

M Roland Dumas, the President's close adviser and Minister for European Affairs, said yesterday that officials would work late into the night on the dossiers to be put into the politicians' hands this afternoon.

On Britain's part the belief that agreement must be found is strengthened by the growing agitation in other member countries at the prospect of the Community's having no money after October.

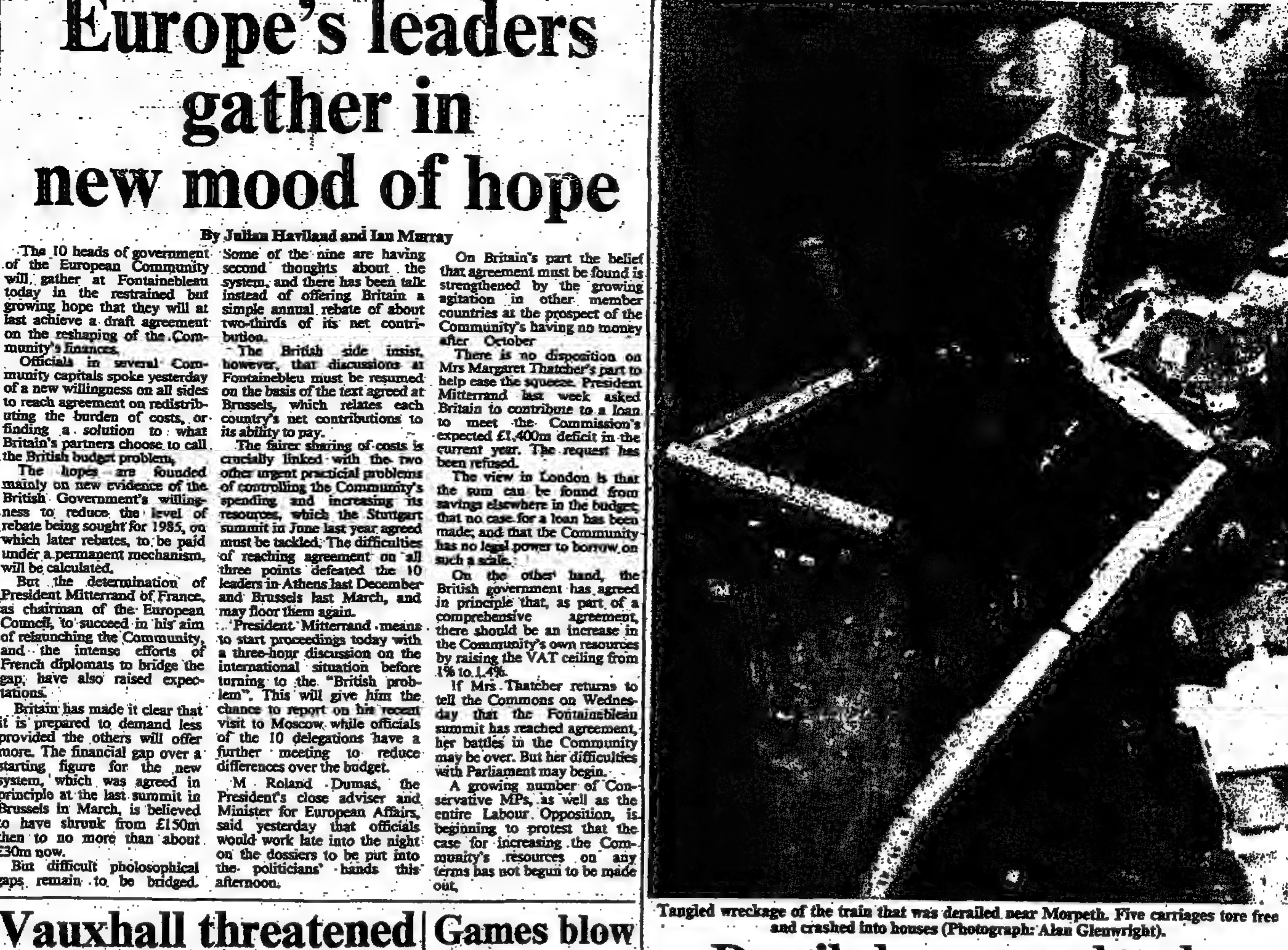
There is no disposition on Mrs Margaret Thatcher's part to help ease the squeeze. President Mitterrand last week asked Britain to contribute to a loan to meet the Commission's expected £1,400m deficit in the current year. The request has been refused.

The view in London is that the sum can be found from savings elsewhere in the budget; that no case for a loan has been made; and that the Community has no legal power to borrow on such a scale.

On the other hand, the British government has agreed in principle that, as part of a comprehensive agreement, there should be an increase in the Community's own resources by raising the VAT ceiling from 1% to 1.4%.

If Mrs Thatcher returns to tell the Commons on Wednesday that the Fontainebleau summit has reached agreement, her battles in the Community may be over. But her difficulties with Parliament may begin.

A growing number of Conservative MPs, as well as the entire Labour Opposition, is beginning to protest that the case for increasing the Community's resources on any terms has not begun to be made out.



Tangled wreckage of the train that was derailed near Morpeth. Five carriages tore free and crashed into houses (Photograph: Alan Glenwright).

Derailed express ploughs into houses and gardens

By Ronald Faux

An Aberdeen-to-London sleeper-train wrecked two houses, plunged into five gardens, and tore up over one hundred yards of railway track when it left the rails just south of Morpeth yesterday.

British Rail began a full inquiry into the accident, but, meanwhile, could give no explanation for what happened, although some passengers said the train appeared to be travelling too fast when it left the rails.

Mr Gerald Flood, the actor, travelling to London with his wife, said the train was rocking and things were sliding along the top of the wash basin.

He said: "I believe the train was going far too fast. It was hurtling backwards and forwards around bends. I was just drifting off to sleep when there was the most almighty crash and everything went black. I ended up in a heap against the compartment door and my wife, Anne, landed on top of me."

Mr Mark Barker, aged 53, marketing director of the 1986 Commonwealth Games to be held in Edinburgh, said: "I travel on this train every week and it was definitely going too fast last night.

The 120-ton locomotive lay on its side and five concertinaed coaches were in the gardens of houses adjoining the track. Sleepers were smashed and the derailment tore wheel-bogies from all 43 coaches.

A woman was under sedation after one coach smashed through the bedroom wall of her bungalow while she was in her living room. Another house whose occupants were on holiday in Spain, was pushed from its foundations.

Thirty-eight of the 76 passengers were taken to hospital but only five were detained. Many continued their journey in another sleeper from Newcastle. Rescue workers said it was miraculous that no one was killed.

Mr Wilfred Carr, 66, of High Park, Morpeth, and his wife were watching television at about 12.30am when there was a crash outside.

He said: "I thought it was an earthquake, the idea that it might a train never entered my mind. Then stones and lumps of metal rained down on the roof. It was very frightening. Eventually, we went outside and in the darkness I realized that where some trees in my garden should be there was a railway carriage less than 30 feet away."

The train had entered the Morpeth Curve and for some reason had left the rails some 200 yards outside Morpeth station.

The engine and two carriages ground to a tangled halt on the

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Railmen to tighten coal blockade

From David Felton
Labour Correspondent
Llandudno

Rail union leaders have drawn up plans to make sympathy strikes more effective, by stepping up dispute pay to workers taking part in such action, including those operating the coal blockade.

The required change to the rules of the National Union of Railwaymen will be discussed tomorrow at its annual conference in Llandudno, amid union optimism that movements of coal by rail will come to a complete halt within a matter of days.

A joint meeting of the union and members of the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen (Aslef) at the Shirebrook depot in Nottinghamshire, at the weekend decided to accept union instructions and not to move coal without the reservations expressed at previous meetings.

The depot is crucial because it handles coal being produced by Nottinghamshire miners for use in the big power stations on the Trent.

Previously the Shirebrook men had shown some reluctance to become involved, but the 70 workers who at the end of last week were being suspended daily by British Rail for refusing to handle coal trains are likely to be the first to benefit from higher strike pay.

The change in the rules, which will almost certainly be agreed at a debate behind closed doors, is designed to raise the present £1 a day strike pay to levels which the union leadership feels would be necessary to secure backing for secondary action unlawful under the employment legislation.

Action already being taken by railway workers is unlawful under the 1980 Employment Act, but so far none of the public bodies affected, the British Steel Corporation, British Rail or the National Coal Board, has shown an inclination to seek injunctions.

The rule change, likely to have an immediate effect, will also make it easier for the union to organise selective industrial action.

Mr Jimmy Knapp, the union's general secretary, said last night that selective action by union-paid workers could replace the present tactics of industrial action involving all 140,000 members working for Britissh Rail.

It is believed that the union has identified key groups of workers such as signalmen who could cause considerable dislocation of rail services without involving all railway workers.

The conference tomorrow will decide the amount of strike pay to be given to the Shirebrook workers if the rule change is accepted.

The level of pay could range up to the full basic wage which a person suspended or on strike

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Tomorrow

Synchro or swim
Fashion takes a dive into deep water



Daylight robbery
John McVicar beats a path to the professional shop "hoisters"

Food for thought
Roger Scruton eats meat to save the animals

'No rates' plan by councils

Some Labour-controlled councils, encouraged by Liverpool's example, may protest against the Government's rate-capping policy by refusing to levy rates next year. Liverpool has not fixed this year's rate, and London Labour boroughs may adopt the strategy. Page 2

Body found

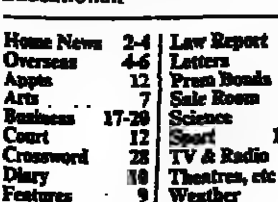
Thames Valley police have called in a pathologist to examine the body of a girl aged two found in woodland at Seer Green, near Beaconsfield.

Frustrated MPs

The Speaker of the House of Commons has talked of the "frustration Parliament": *The Times* begins a three-part series on the problems created by the Government's majority of 142. Page 4

Test changes

Moxon and Broad, opening batsmen, are included in the England 12 chosen for the second Test match against the West Indies at Lord's on Thursday. Randall and Cook are dropped. Page 20



Vauxhall threatened by German strike

By Clifford Webb, Motoring Correspondent

Nearly 15,000 Vauxhall and Ford car workers could be laid off by the end of the week if the five-week strike which has paralysed West German component production is not resolved quickly.

Last week both sides agreed to put union demands for a 35-hour week to arbitration, but prospects for a quick settlement were yesterday said to be unlikely.

Vauxhall said last night that its Luton and Ellesmere Port plants, which depend on West Germany for more than half their component supplies, are getting by on a day-to-day basis only.

A spokesman said: "We had to stop Bedford van production on Thursday and lay off 240 workers. Unless the decision to call in an arbitrator leads to a quick settlement, more than 11,000 Vauxhall employees face lay-offs."

Under the company's wage security plan, employees laid off are guaranteed wages for a period of three weeks and three days. This would take them up to the three-weeks summer shutdown, which begins on July 20, and would ensure they suffer no financial loss.

But the effect on Vauxhall's fast-improving position in Britain would be disastrous – it is challenging Austin Rover for second place after Ford, the market leader.

However Vauxhall depends on Opel factories in West Germany for more than half the cars it sells here, and an even larger proportion of parts for cars assembled at Luton and Ellesmere Port.

Shipments of German-built Cavaliers and Carltons dried up two weeks ago, along with Opel Mantas, Senators and Monzas.

Ford is a little better off, because only one in three of the cars it sells here are made in its West German factories.

But shipments of German-made Capris, Granadas and Ghia models have stopped, with key components such as fuel-injection equipment from Bosch, and some automatic gearboxes.

A Ford spokesman said: "We see no immediate problems for our British factories, but we are reviewing the position weekly. We have been able to maintain production up to now by switching the emphasis to models which are not dependent on German parts."

However, Ford, like Vauxhall, is extremely worried about the effect on sales during August, when more than one in five of all cars are bought.

It is already apparent that both American companies will be short of some models.

Volkswagen, Audi, BMW and Mercedes are totally dependent on their West German factories and will be even harder hit. A BMW dealer said last night: "We have been warned that August could be an absolute disister."

Games blow to Coe as Elliott wins

By Our Sports Staff

Sebastian Coe, the Olympic 1500 metres champion, seems certain to be denied the chance to defend his title in Los Angeles in six weeks' time following his defeat by Peter Elliott yesterday in the AAA championships at Crystal Palace. With Steve Cram and Steve Ovett already selected for the distance, Coe was outsprinted in what was unofficially a race for the final British place.

The British Amateur Athletic Board will announce today their remaining team selections but they can hardly ignore Elliott's claim after he was passed by Coe coming off the final bend but overtook him again five metres from the line. It was only his fourth outing at the distance.

Both men survived anxious moments in a physical race which saw Coe almost stumble to the ground and which left Elliott, a 21-year-old Yorkshireman, with two gashes in his legs.

While Coe's handshaking gesture towards Elliott appeared to signify his acceptance of having only the 800 metres to run for in Los Angeles, Elliott remained unconvinced that he would be chosen. Two years ago he was overlooked by England for the Commonwealth Games when he had seemed an obvious candidate.

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US budget deal under threat

From Bailey Morris, Washington

US Senate and House negotiators have taken the first significant step to reduce the country's record budget deficit by agreeing to tax increases and spending cuts totalling $61,000m (£44,000m) over four years.

But congressional leaders gave a warning yesterday that the entire package could fall apart this week, with a chaotic effect on financial markets, if similar compromises are not reached on the Reagan Administration's defence budget and legislation to increase the nation's debt ceiling.

In a marathon weekend session, the negotiators resolved significant differences to agree on $50,000m in tax increases, falling heavily on consumers, and $11,000m in spending cuts, including middle class house benefits, but the bulk from the popular Medicare health insurance programme for the elderly.

The decision sends an important signal to financial markets, which have pressed the Administration for action.

Trouble is threatened, however, by a Democrat attempt to enact larger cuts in defence spending in return for supporting the Medicare cuts.

Both Houses have already passed sharply different versions of defence spending bills. The House of Representatives calls for only a 3 per cent increase while the Senate proposes an 8.3 per cent increase. This week House leaders will attempt to force compromise on a 5 per cent increase.

If the Senate refuses, House Democrats, in company with Republican conservatives, will refuse to pass the debt ceiling legislation the Administration must have to continue running the Government.

Oil tanker hit by Iraqi planes

By Our Foreign Staff

Iraqi fighters attacked the 152,000-ton Greek super-tanker Alexander the Great off Kharg Island in the Gulf yesterday. The tanker, laden with oil, was hit but continued its journey. It was one of four "big naval targets" attacked during the day by Iraqi aircraft according to a Baghdad military spokesman.

President Mubarak of Egypt made an emotional appeal to Iran to halt the Gulf war "because brothers should be allied to Arab and Islamic countries". His appeal was seen as a gesture intended to recover for Egypt the leading position in the Arab world which it lost after the signing of the Camp David accord.

Mr Mubarak told Egypt's new Parliament in his inaugural address that he did not want to be made President for life and offered to step down after a second term of office.

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Million in Paris protest

From Alan Tillier
Paris

Paris, the city of street demonstrations, broke its own records yesterday when up to one million people took to the boulevards in a protest about education. It was the biggest rally since the liberation 40 years ago.

Many of the demonstrators were Roman Catholics, protesting against plans to reform private education. They came from all parts of the country, in special trains and about 6,000 coaches. They marched 30 abreast along boulevards leading from the main railway stations to the Place de la Bastille.

Such was the length of the processions that some protesters never made it to the square. A third of the city was paralysed for 10 hours by the event.

Given the dire warnings by the Government about extremist trouble makers, the protest passed off peacefully. The mood of the well-scrubbed crowd was determined – hundreds of banners denounced the government plans for private education – but it was also exceptionally good-humoured.

The organizers had their own crowd controllers and the thousands of riot police deployed on the Left Bank and in the eastern arrondissmets stood idly by. Even M Jean Marie Le Pen's extremist National Front, which took part in the march, behaved.

The police estimated the size of the crowd at 850,000, or some 200,000 more than the last big Roman Catholic protest against the Government Bill two months ago. The parents' association said there were 2 million.

Farmers hope for record harvest

By John Young, Agriculture Correspondent

The dry cold spring has done little to damage the prospects of yet another record harvest, according to the first of this year's crop surveys conducted by *The Times*.

The exception is, predictably, spring barley, already declining in popularity and now likely to fall still further from favour. Grass growth has also been slow in many areas because of lack of moisture.

"All winter corn crops look exceptionally well, the best I have seen for several years", a Kent reader reports. "So far it looks better than I ever remember", a Leicestershire colleague adds.

As well as growing well, winter wheat in particular seems to have been largely free of disease, although a correspondent in Forfar, Scotland, reports instances of stress and sharp eyespot. He points to the extreme vagaries of the weather in his area, with heavy snowfalls in January, damaging gales, four and a half inches of rain in three days in late March, and a drought between then and the end of May.

Prospects for oilseed rape seem good, although the same was true at this time last year and the eventual harvest was disappointing. The main problem appears to be not so much disease as damage by pigeons, reported by a Suffolk farmer to be "worse than ever".

The dry spring was ideal for planting, and potatoes almost everywhere are reported to be healthy and well advanced. "Crops look exceptionally well after recent rain", a reader in Cumbria says.

Sugar beet presents a less cheerful picture. Many crops had to be redrilled and have also been damaged by vermin. "Looking the worst ever", a Suffolk man says. "Too many gaps", an Essex colleague comments.

For many growers the early June rains came only just in time. "On our chalk land we were very worried", a correspondent in Dorset writes.

Although the dry weather delayed grass growth, it has for the most part recovered, and silage cuts have been surprisingly good. "Most of the first cut is made well, and yields are outstanding", a report from Derbyshire states.

"The early sunshine has fattened all lambs", a farmer in North Wales comments. "It could be a good year, except for dairy farmers".

"The most promising report I have ever given", a Bedfordshire farmer writes.

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"I'll stop at the Piccadilly and fly back to Amsterdam from Manchester."

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Labour councils may refuse to levy rates in capping protest

By Hugh Clayton, Local Government Correspondent

Some Labour councils may refuse to levy rates next year as a protest against government policy. Labour concillors are encouraged by the success of the Labour majority in Liverpool in running a large city council, for three months so far, without fixing a rate.

The strategy of refusing to charge rates next year originated among Labour councillors in London boroughs which are certain to appear soon on the first government list of candidates for rate capping next year.

Mr John Austin-Walker, leader of Greenwich Borough Council, said yesterday: "I think the Government is now on the defensive. I think there could be a united strategy by London authorities.

"I do not believe you could get support from all authorities, because that would be pie in the sky. But I think we could get a sufficient number of authorities to force the Government's hand."

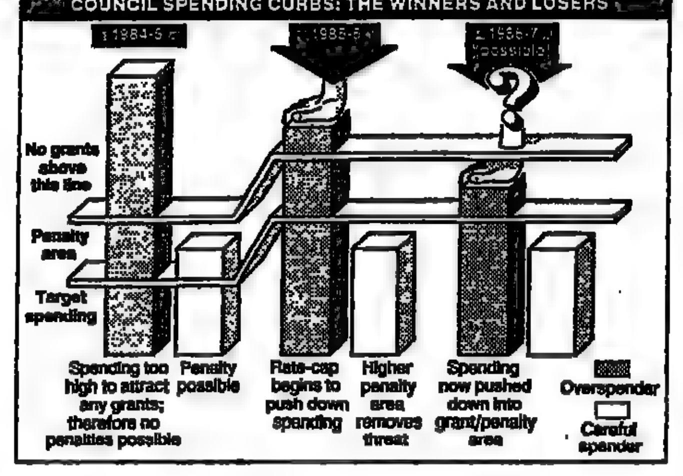
The Government will soon announce the names of the minority of councils to be capped next year. Capping will mean that they will not be allowed to raise rates above a ceiling fixed by ministers. Rate capping is part of a delicate balancing process now being devised by ministers to simplify local government finance next year and to make spending penalties bear less harshly on their supporters.

Rate capping will reduce the spending powers of councils considered by ministers to be the worst overspenders. More generous spending targets will enable careful spenders led by Conservative councillors to spend more without incurring penalties.

The levelling-out process is to be kept in check by a steepening of the penalties used this year to take government grants back from councils which spend above the targets fixed by ministers.

"I believe that many autho rities may refuse to levy a Tory rate", Mr Austin-Walker said. He attended a meeting of Labour councillors in Liverpool on Saturday about ways of opposing government policy.

"The Government is quite frightened at the prospect of Liverpool City Council not being able to meet its loan debt, and I believe that is a powerful weapon in the council's hands", Mr Austin-Walker said.



Thatcher's benefit cuts estimated at £6.5bn

By Nicholas Timmins
Social Services Correspondent

The Government appears to have cut social security spending by more than £6.5bn since it came to office in 1979.

Spending this year, at £39bn, would be more than £2bn higher – the equivalent of more than 2p on income tax – if spending had continued at the 1979 rate.

The figures, which are rough estimates, have been compiled by the House of Commons library at the request of MPs, after the repeated refusal of social security ministers to produce their own estimates.

The last official estimate was made in 1982 by Mr Antony Newton, Under-secretary of State in the Department of Health and Social Security. He estimated that spending that year of £32bn would have been about £1.5bn higher without the changes.

Using the same basis, the figures compiled by the House of Commons library show savings in the years between 1980/81 and 1983/84, of £400m, £600m, £1,500m and £1,800m respectively, producing a cumulative total of £4.3bn.

The key changes have been the legislation to uprate pensions and other long-term benefits by comparison with prices only, and not with earnings, which have risen faster, and the ending of earnings-related unemployment benefit.

This year uprating pensions by 8 per cent for earnings rather than 5 per cent for prices would alone have added £420m to the budget. Spending on housing benefit has been cut by £190m. Substantial sums are being saved on the miners' strike because benefit to families is being reduced by £15 a week

Added to last year's figures compiled by the library, these sums suggest a cumulative five-year savings of perhaps £6.7bn.

Mr Michael Meacher, Labour's social services spokesman, said yesterday: "Cuts of this scale in spending on pensioners, the poor and the unemployed are quite staggering, particularly when higher-rate taxpayers, have received £12.9bn in tax concessions since 1979. This represents a redistribution from the poor to the rich unequalled since the war." The figures represented an average loss to the 11 million recipients of social security of £600 each.

The Government's record was defended as "impressive" in a weekend speech by Dr Rhodes Boyson, Minister for Social Security. He said: "We are not the sort of government that throws taxpayers money around as if it came from a bottomless purse."



Exhibition match: Dressed at the Hurlingham Club in costume of the last century, from left, Charlotte Leatham, Jane Plackett, Sarah Butterfield and Debbie Parker. (Photograph: Suresh Karadia)

The Season hails the 20p berry

By Alan Hamilton

The English strawberry made its official debut of The Season yesterday and, in the immutable English tradition, the merchants sought a king's ransom for their rubies.

At yesterday's annual Hurlingham Club garden and tennis party, which for years has raised the social curtain on Wimbledon fortnight, strawberries were to be had from the caterers at 95p a portion which, on the evidence of careful study by *The Times*, ranged from seven berries down to five.

Seasoned Seasoners calculated that, at the lower end of the portion scale, the price of the strawberry was proportionate with that at last year's opening day of Wimbledon, when dismay was expressed at an all-time record base rate of 17p a berry. Old hands were predicting confidently that today's opening day of play would witness the arrival of the 20p berry.

Wise shoppers have, by contrast, been buying early strawberries for an average 50p a punnet, which, even in the hands of stallholders, contains a number at least approximating a dozen.

But Hurlingham is not what it once was, and that is not just because the strawberries are now served in sealed plastic containers, with the cream in a plastic side pocket. Nor is it just because, this year, the fresh cut cucumber sandwiches were replaced by a pre-packed variety in the British Rail mode.

The leading potential stars of Wimbledon no longer attend, presumably because they are not paid enough money. Mr McEnroe, Mr Lendl and Miss Navratilova were absent, although the crowd enjoyed some exhibition play by somewhat lesser luminaries such as Bill Scanlon and the Gullickson twins. Four ladies in period costume also re-enacted the first Wimbledon ladies' final, of which this is the centenary.

Miss Sarah Butterfield, who took the part of Wimbledon's first woman champion, Maud Watson, for the afternoon, recalled that Miss Watson had won by being the only woman of her time to develop a serve and volley game, thus beating her opponent, Miss Blanche Bingley, who was the only woman of her time to develop a baseline game.

But the leading Wimbledon participant yesterday was the man who, on last year's form, will be Mr John McEnroe's adversary in all the champion's matches this year, Mr Alan Mills. Mr Mills is the Wimbledon referee, in charge of 296 umpires. He will be giving them a stiff lecture at 11 am this morning.

"I would not tolerate that sort of behaviour. It is just not on", Mr Mills said, referring to Mr McEnroe's argumentative appearance at Queen's Club recently. He denied suggestions that a special squad of six particularly tough umpires is being detailed to take charge of Mr McEnroe's games.

Clearly, the raspberry will not be tolerated on court, but as undoubtedly superior fruit to the strawberry, it is high time it found favour in the tea tent.

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GLC drops threat to sports centres inviting Zola Budd

By Our Local Government Correspondent

The Greater London Council has quietly dropped its threat to stop financing facilities used by Zola Budd, the South African-born athlete. The issue is not on the agenda for today's meeting of the ruling Labour group of the council, even though Miss Budd is to compete again at the Crystal Palace sports centre next month.

Her appearance at Crystal Palace earlier this month led the council to question it support for the centre, the cost of which is split equally between GLC and the Sports Council.

The campaign caused disagreement in the Labour group, however, because some members thought it might leave the council open to accusations of vindictiveness against a young athlete just as the Government was losing support for its effort to abolish the GLC.

A report from the ethnic minorities committee of the council makes it clear that opposition to the appearance of Miss Budd at centres financed by the council has been absorbed into a wider council campaign against the use of leisure facilities by South African supporters of apartheid.

The campaign covers artistic as well as sporting performances. The report, to be presented to tomorrow's meeting of the council, says: "Reports on the use of council premises for arts and entertainments by performers intending to perform in apartheid South Africa are to be presented for committee approval very shortly".

Mr Peter Pitt, chairman of the arts and recreation committee of the council, said that the Government was involved in a tacit campaign to win respectability for South Africa despite apartheid.

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Donations to Tories 'link to honours'

By Peter Hennessy

The 10 honours lists published since Mrs Margaret Thatcher became Prime Minister in 1979 show that a prominent businessman doubles his chance of a peerage or a knighthood if his company has contributed to Conservative funds, according to an analysis produced by the Labour Research Department.

Mr John Walker of the department, which is funded by 50 trade unions, said yesterday that of the eight private sector industrialists who received knighthoods in this month's Birthday Honours, five were associated with donating companies, sustaining the pattern of the last five years.

He noted that companies associated with the five gave £277,453 to the Conservative Party or its immediate allies (such as the Centre for Policy Studies or British United Industrialists) between 1979 and 1983. A further sum of £36,951 went to the Economic League.

In monetary terms, Mr Walker added, those donations were lower than the £476,000 over the same period made by companies associated with those industrialists honoured in the New Year list.

PRIVATE SECTOR INDUSTRIALISTS KNIGHTED IN THE BIRTHDAY HONOURS LIST, 1984

Name	Directorship	Donation 1979-83 £
Nigel Broackes	Trafigr Hse	170,000
Robert Lickley	Fairley Hld*	62,000
George Bowman-Shaw	Lancer-Boss	18,253
Thomas Risk	Bank of Scotld Merchts Trust	1,500
Owen Green	BTR Berry Trust	500
Patck Sergnt	Assocd Newsp	nil
Eric Sharp	Cable & Wireless	nil
Leslie Young	J Bibby	nil

*Donation made by parent company, S Pearson, includes £3,000 to Centre for Policy Studies and £4,500 to British United Industrialists

Source: Labour Research Department

Provisional IRA cause most deaths

From Richard Ford, Belfast

The Provisional IRA appears to have overcome the setbacks caused by "supergrass" informers and in the first half of this year has been responsible for most violent deaths in Northern Ireland.

Despite the claim almost a year ago by Mr James Molyneaux, leader of the Official Unionist Party, that the worst would be over by now, more people have been killed in the first six months of this year than in corresponding periods in 1982 and 1983.

As the killings continue, spending on law and order has increased to more than £400m this year, or about 10 per cent of total public expenditure in Northern Ireland.

The Provisional IRA has been responsible for 26 out of 39 deaths this year.

The figure is lower than in the early 1970s, but the Provisionals have become much more efficient in their operations.

They are still able to keep the province unstable and can occasionally push tension to fever pitch with spectacular acts of violence.

● Mrs Margaret Thatcher is expected to meet Dr Garrett FitzGerald, Prime Minister of the Irish Republic during the EEC heads of government summit meeting in France tomorrow for private talks about the Northern Ireland problem.

It will be the first meeting between the two leaders since the report of the New Ireland Forum and will occur only a week before the House of Commons debates the report, during which the Government's response will become known.

COST OF ULSTER VIOLENCE

DEATHS

	RUC/RUC Reserves	UDR/ Army	Civilians
Jan/June '83	9	5	15
Jan/June 24 1984	7	13	19

SECURITY 1982-84

Crown prosecution legal services	£4.8m
Crime-related services	£8m
Compensation	£30.9
Prisons	£70.9m
Probation training schools	£11.5m
RUC	£255.9m
Miscellaneous	£24m
Cost of army	£143m
	Total: £549m

Consecration will go on, bishop-elect says

By Clifford Longley, Religious Affairs Correspondent

The Bishop-elect of Durham, Professor David Jenkins, said yesterday that he was not being deflected from consecration in York Minster next month by the controversy over his views on the Virgin Birth, the Miracles, and the Resurrection.

The Archbishop of York, Dr John Habgood, who will preside at the consecration, has also indicated his determination to proceed. Professor Jenkins replied to his critics yesterday, in a sermon at Worksop Priory, by quoting the New Testament back at them. Jesus himself was "remarkably cautious" about miracles, and attacked those who wanted "signs", he said.

Meanwhile the Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Robert Runcie, went on television yesterday to say that to remove difficult passages from the Gospels because of their element of miracle and mystery would be to "erode, adulterate, and water down faith to our twentieth century level of insight".

A group of 11 Northern churchmen has asked Dr Habgood to defer the consecration, due on July 6, so that it can be discussed at next month's meeting of the General Synod, which starts the next day. Dr Habgood is expected to reply to this next week, but he has already made it clear that he has no intention of complying. His diocesan newsletter contains a long and learned defence of modern theology, which, while not mentioning Professor Jenkins, is, it is understood, Dr Habgood's defence of him.

There is, in any case, no procedural way in which this Synod can debate the matter, either before or after the consecration.

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Relocation costing firms 'at least £250m a year'

By Christopher Warman
Property Correspondent

British industry is spending at least £250m a year on relocating staff within Britain and yet companies have no real idea of the detailed costs, according to a survey published today.

The £250m figure applies just to firms listed in *The Times 1,000* companies, and the total figure, including moves of staff by smaller firms, may be considerably higher.

The survey, the first detailed study of the relocation management market in this country was undertaken by Merrill Lynch Relocation Management International in conjunction with Harris Research Centre.

The survey shows that one in four companies thought the cost of relocating individual staff was between £2,000 and £3,999, while one-third believed it ranged between £4,000 and £6,000, and a further 16 per cent estimated the cost to be £8,000. About 14 per cent said the cost of moving personnel was more than £8,000.

Merrill Lynch estimates that the cost is about 20 per cent of the value of the house the employee is leaving. That includes sale of house, removal expenses and bridging loans. Therefore on a £40,000 house, the relocation cost would be about £8,000.

About 90 per cent of all companies compensate employees for relocation expenses such as removals, temporary living and travel costs, house sale, and purchase costs. But staff moving from a low-cost housing area to a more expensive one, receive little help.

While most companies provide financial reimbursement for a member of the staff asked to move, few give any practical help.

The survey found that 56 per cent of staff interviewed said disruption of children's schooling was the most serious



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Class costs 'irrelevant for results'

By Colin Hughes

High spending on education is no guarantee of buying better results, a study published today by the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy shows.

Smaller classes are not linked to improved achievement, and quality and experience of teachers count more than quantity, says the study by Mr Rodney Lord, a special adviser to the Chief Secretary at the Treasury.

Mr Lord compared success in examinations with spending per pupil between education authorities which have similar proportions of disadvantaged children in their area. Newcastle and Lancashire, for example, have similar populations and similar numbers of pupils leave with examination grades.

Value for Money in Education (Public Money/Cipsa, 1 Buckingham Place, London SW1E 6HS; £10.50).





Battle commences: Players in action yesterday on the first day of the chess match between the USSR and the Rest of the World at the Northern and Shell Building in London's dockland.

Left to right: The Soviet defector Viktor Korchnoi, playing on board 3 for the Rest of the World; Russian world champion Anatoly Karpov, on board 1; Gary Kasparov, Karpov's team-mate on board 2; and English grandmaster John Nunn on board 7 for the Rest of the World.

The match, which is organized by the World Chess Federation and is billed as "the strongest chess event of all time" goes on until Friday. Nunn is one of three contestants from England, the only country with more than one player in the Rest of the World team.

Last night Karpvo appeared to have established an advantage over his Swedish opponent Ulf Andersson, while the second and third board games looked level (Photographs: Murray Job).

Sunday Times criticized by Press Council

The Sunday Times was justified in commenting on the affairs of two building societies, but wrong to juxtapose its comments, unfairly giving the impression that they were equal trouble spots, the Press Council said yesterday.

The Council upheld a complaint by the Britannia Building Society that it was improper of the newspaper to associate the Britannia in an article and photograph with the closure of another building society.

The feature, headlined "New Cross: the hidden fears" was accompanied by a composited picture captioned: "Trouble spots: New Cross and Britannia shop-fronts and Britannia boss Sir Hubert Newton".

It suggested that the action of the building societies' "watchdog" Mr Michael Bridgeman in shutting the New Cross Building Society had highlighted a crisis of confidence.

The feature said that the Chief Registrar had embarked on check visits to societies, the Institute of Chartered Accountants had warned members against lax standards and Britannia Building Society had embarked on the third version of its official return for 1982 to the Chief Registrar.

Sale Room

Lennon's Rolls-Royce fetches £133,514

By Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Correspondent

John Lennon's 1965 Rolls Royce Phantom V was sold by Sotheby's in New York on Saturday on behalf of his widow, Yoko Ono, for $184,250 (estimate $80,000 to $100,000), or £133,514.

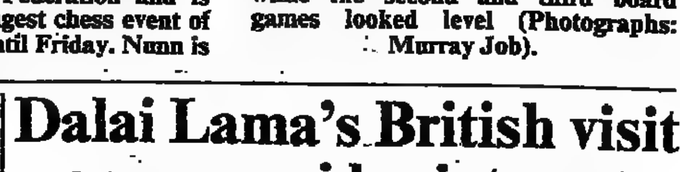
The car's classical grandeur had net been altered, except for the inclusion of a stereophonic sound system, and two large occasional seats. It is brown, with a black and beige leather interior, trimmed with burl walut, and Wilton carpet. The unlooked-for high price was paid after fierce bidding by Mr Wallace Yost of Florida, who was connected to the sale room by telephone.

The car was part of a miscellaneous mix of property from the collection of John Lennon and Yoko Ono sent for sale by the murdered pop musician's widow for the benefit of the Spirit Foundation. Each lot was accompanied by a certificate of ownership signed by Yoko Ono, and the catalogue contained a message from her:

"One day the wife said
Oh, boy, when we're dead
We can't take everything
But our soul – Think!"

She also assured bidders that this was the only group of objects they had owned which would ever be released to the public, the next being destined either for the family, or for the Lennon Museum.

The auction which included other Beatles material and showbusiness memorabilia, attracted a crowd. Some competitive bidding had much to do with John Lennon and the Beatles and little to do with art or the antiques market. The snip of the sale was a remarkable Art Deco aluminium and glass desk which sold for only $8,800



Dalai Lama's British visit arouses wider interest

By Our Religious Affairs Correspondent

The Dalai Lama begins a two-week visit to Britain today. The tour has caused greater public interest than his last one in 1981.

Tickets for an address that the Tibetan spiritual leader, aged 48, is to give at the Albert Hall in London next month are already oversubscribed. His last such address barely filled the smaller Central Hall, Westminster.

The Dalai Lama's office in London said that his main mesage would be about world peace, though he would also be delivering intensive teaching on Buddhism to specialist groups.

The Dalai Lama has lived in exile in northern India since his flight from Tibet in 1959. He has several thousand Western followers in the United Kingdom, though the number of Tibetans in Britain is thought to be fewer than a hundred.

During his time in Britain he will visit the cenre of Tibetan Buddhism in Europe, his monastery in Dumfriesshire, and will also visit the Roman Catholic monastery at Ampleforth, north Yorkshire.

The visit is at the invitation of the Dean of Westminster, Dr Edwards Carpenter.

Overseas selling prices
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Consumer group calls for laws to counter 'appalling' treatment of complaints

By Robin Young

Changes in the law on the sale and supply of goods are being called for by the National Consumer Council, after a survey it conducted showed "appalling" indifference, rudeness and ignorance displayed by traders when people complain about faulty goods.

In the first national survey of consumer dissatisfaction the council interviewed 369 consumers who, in a two-week period, consulted a representative sample of citizens' advice bureaux and consumer aid centres. It also drew on 646 case-related questionnaires completed by consumer advisers.

It was found that more than four-fifths of those in the survey had been dissatisfied with the way those who had sold faulty goods dealt with their complaints.

In more than a third of the cases the seller had accepted responsibility and attempted a repair or replacement which turned out to be unsatisfactory.

Half the items complained of in the survey were described by their owners as being unfit for their intended purpose. One in five did not work at all, and this rose to nearly half in the case of fault electrical goods. About one unsatisfactory product in eight was thought liable to cause injury.

Personal items such as shoes and clothing accounted for a third of complaints and household goods for a quarter. Cars were also an important source of dissatisfaction, and one unsatisfactory item in eight cost more than £500, the present limit for small claims procedures in the county courts.

The consumer advisers thought that almost nine-tenths of their clients were entitled to redress, but a follow-up survey six months later showed that only two-fifths had yet received a full refund or a replacement.

The only redress offered consumers under the present Sale of Goods Act is a refund of the purchase price but more often, the survey disclosed complaints led to long haggling between trader and consumer over redress.

Some goods taken in for repair were not returned for months on end, while other traders insisted on making multiple unsuccessful attempts at effecting repairs.

"Even allowing for the one-sided nature of the questionnaires", the council says in its report, which is published today, "rudeness and ignorance on the part of shop staff cannot have been invented by all the informants who mentioned this to us".

The report, the council's response to the Law Commission's preliminary proposals for reform of the law relating to the sale and supply of goods, argues that the test of "merchantable quality" is meaningless to consumers, out of date, and no longer fit for its purpose.

Consumers' rights and remedies should be more clearly stated, the report says, and goods should not only be required by law to be fit for their purpose but also to last a reasonable time.

Shoppers should still be able to insist on a full refund when repairs or replacements are offered, but not provided promptly or satisfactorily.

The council also believes that manufacturers as well as retailers should be liable for the quality of goods, and the people who receive goods as gifts should have the same legal rights as the purchaser.

At present only the buyer has any rights under the Sale of Goods Act, and they lie exclusively against the seller.

Buying Problems. National Consumer Council, 18 Queen Anne's Gate, London, SW1H 9AA. £4.

Sales with response to complaint

Respondents	310
Extremely satisfied	7
Fairly satisfied	9
Neither particularly satisfied or dissatisfied	14
Fairly dissatisfied	57
Extremely dissatisfied	223



Super trout search: Mr Alastair Stephen, a student at Stirling University, measuring a dried head of a brown trout in his search for the genetic formula for the ideal sporting trout. Through detective work on lonely lochs, and with computer and microscope, he is investigating the make-up of what has become known as the super trout, a hybrid fast-growing fish with aggressive sporting prowess (Ronald Faux writes).

Also called the Ballantine trout after the whisky company sponsoring Mr Stephen's research at the Institute of Aquaculture, the fish is a cross between the Loch Leven brown trout and a species bred for more than a century at the university's fish farm at Howietoun near Bannockburn.

The ideal fish has what the specialists know as "hybrid vigour".

(Photograph: Harry Kerr).

Body in flat not found for weeks

A solitary and independent woman in her mid-70s had probably been dead in her flat in north London, for more than six weeks before her body was discovered on Saturday.

Yesterday residents at Waterloo Terrace, Islington, expressed their distress at the unnoticed death of Mrs Rita Silverman, whom they described as a woman who received no visitors and would not accept neighbourly gestures.

Mrs Silverman's next door neighbour, Ms Geraldine Wright, said: "I Feel guilty that I did not knock on her door earlier to see if she was all right or at least phone the social services so they could see to her."

The body was found after neighbours phoned police because the smell from the flat became overpowering.

An examination, will be performed this week, but preliminary estimates suggest she died six to eight weeks before her body was found. An inquest will be held at St Pancras Coroner's Court, north London, at a date to be fixed. A police spokesman said the death was not suspicious.

Dispute puts pea harvest at risk

East Anglia's pea harvest, due to start at the end of this week, is under threat because of a strike by 400 process workers at the Bird's Eye frozen food factory in Lowestoft, Suffolk.

The factory normally buys 20,000 tons of peas, worth £4m, from local growers. The strike is in support of one by 1,300 workers at the Bird's Eye Great Yarmouth factory, which is to close when a £19m expansion scheme is completed in Lowestoft by the end of 1986.

Salt diggers

Archaeologists from Nottingham University have uncovered the remains of salt works near Boston on the Lincolnshire coast, where salt-making was an industry in the twelth century.

Dairy food consumption falls

By John Young, Agriculture Correspondent

Britons are eating 10 per cent less butter than they did a year ago, according to statistics which suggest that they are heeding publicity about cutting down consumption of animal fats to reduce the risk of heart disease.

The Ministry of Agriculture's latest national food servey, published today, shows Britons are also consuming 4 per cent less cheese, and slightly more than 1 per cent less fresh milk.

But sales of skimmed milk and cream both rose by 12.5 per cent, according to the survey which covers the first quarter of the year.

Another factor in declining milk consumption may be that Britons drank 7 per cent less tea, reflecting a 23 per cent increase in its average price.

Whatever the reasons, the figures will provide little comfort for dairy farmers, whose protest against EEC milk quotas prompted one group to pelt Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, with eggs on Saturday.

The survey also shows that although Britons ate slightly more beef and veal last year, consumption of lamb, pork, bacon and chicken was well down. More frozen convenience meat products, were consumed as well as slightly more fresh than frozen fish.

Consumption of potatoes and fresh vegetables fell by more than 5 per cent, while sales of frozen vegetables rose by more than a quarter.

Diet beliefs questioned

By Thomson Prentice, Science Correspondent

The largest survey of its kind into the eating habits of British families and their attitudes towards food is likely to provoke arguments among nutritionists when some of its findings are published tomorrow.

Responses from almost 2,000 men, women and children questioned contradict some of the basic assumptions on which health education policies are based.

The survey, which was conducted by the British Nutrition Foundation, reveals startling changes in traditional attitudes towards the buying, cooking and eating of food. But it also indicates that there may be substantial resistance to some of the advice on nutrition and diet recently advocated by health organizations.

"There may be very little connexion between what people understand is good for them and what they do about it", Dr Richard Cottrell, the Foundation's science director, said.

TV satellite faces two years' delay

By Bill Johnstone
Technology Correspondent

A British television satellite may not be in orbit until late 1988, two years after the date originally intended. The BBC and the IBA – two of the principal partners in the consortium to launch a Direct Broadcasting Satellite (DBS) have been told that it will take about three and a half years to design a British satellite and put it into orbit.

The consortium will not be complete until September. The IBA is considering 15 applications from groups wishing to join the consortium, and will recommend its choice to the Home Secretary who will make the selection.

The Government is reluctant to force the consortium into partnership with any one manufacturer of spacecraft. Its preferred supplier/designer is Unisat, a partnership of British Telecom, GEC-Marconi and British Aerospace, but another group, Britsat, which uses a satellite design based on American technology, is competing for the contract.

● Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, has rejected the Cable Television Association's appeal against his decision to end 100 per cent capital allowances.

Government policy announced in the Budget has substantially increased the cost of laying cable, the CTA claimed.

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British Rail to simplify fares

By Michael Bailey, Transport Editor

British Rail is to drastically simplify its fares structure next year. The dozen or more fares at present available on some routes will be cut down to probably no more than six, most available nationally.

Passengers have become increasingly confused about rail fares as special offers and travelcards have proliferated, and there is widespread suspicion that booking clerks – perhaps because they do not themselvs know – do not always offer the cheapest ticket.

Research by the rail consumer organization, the Central Transport Consultative Committee, suggests that this has been a factor in turning passengers, especially old people, away from the railways and using coaches instead.

Mr Ivor Warburton, British Rail's director of passenger marketing, said yesterday: "I accept that it is a jungle. Our present fares system has built from selective pricing over a decade,

The new fares will come into force next May, and details will be announced later this year. Mr Warburton refused to divulge them yesterday for fear of alerting air and coach competition, but the French red, white and blue system is being studied.

France offers cheap rail travel on certain weeks of the year and certain days of the week; and passengers are supplied with a calendar whose colour bands identify the fare charged at the time they propose to travel.

Another possibility is a simple six-fare structure proposed by the consultative committee to replace all existing fares:

Ordinary single (three-day validity) and return (three months);
Awayday cheap day return with weekend availability;
Saver period return (one month) on principal inter-city routes;
Special offers, strictly controlled to avoid proliferation;
Season tickets for commuters;
Railcards for elderly, students, etc.

12 fares between London and Birmingham

Saver return Birmingham-London	£8.50
London-Birmingham	£11
Birmingham-London, Fri or Sat	£11
Ordinary single	12.70
Day return	£13.30
Saver return London-Birmingham, Fri or Sat	£15
Weekend return	£16.50
First class ordinary single	£18.40
weekend return	£21
Ordinary return class	£25
first class	£36
Inter-City executive return	£43

Railcard holders receive 50 per cent off ordinary and day returns, and a small reduction on Inter-City Savers. Children travel half-price, of for £1 with holder of family of senior citizen railcard.



The new Lancia turbo in its white, special edition livery

Lancia launches turbo

By Clifford Webb, Motoring Correspondent

The new Lancia Delta HF turbo, with a top speed of 121mph, makes its British debut today. It is claimed to be the fastest 1.6 litre five-door hatchback on the road. The turbo Delta is the latest in a flood of similar turbo-charged small cars from Japanese and European manufacturers which combine exceptional performance with the tax and insurance advantages of a small capacity engine.

The Delta turbo's arrival is timely for Lancia. Like its parent Fiat, it needs to boost depressed British sales. For that reason, it is importing only the top-line Delta turbo, which costs £7,990.

An all white special edition with body line stripes in Martini racing colours is available at no extra cost.

The 1585cc twin-cam engine features a sealed twin choke Weber carburettor located downstream from the turbo charger to receive cool, high pressure air for improved acceleration and starting.

Man on explosion charges

Police investigating the Harrods Christmas bombing yesterday charged Natalino Christopher Francis Vella, aged 30, with conspiring to cause explosions.

He was charged at Paddington Green police station, west London, and will appear at Lambeth magistrates' court today.

The charges against Mr Vella are:

That between October 6, 1983 and January 25, 1984, he unlawfully and maliciously conspired with Paul Kavanagh and other persons to cause, by explosive substances, explosions of a nature likely to endanger life or cause serious injury to property

That on January 17, 1984, in Salcey Forest, Northamptonshire, in contravention of the Firearms Act, 1968, he had in his possession firearms including an Armalite .223 rifle, a new Army-Navy Colt .36 long revolver, a model 108 Smith and Wesson .38 revolver, and a 9-millimetre Luger pistol and silencer

That on January 17, in Salcey Forest, he had a quantity of ammunition including 9-millimetre ammunition, .38 special revolver ammunition and three fragmentation hand grenades and ingniters.

That on January 17, 1984, at Annesley, Nottinghamshire, he unlawfully and maliciously had in his control explosive substances to enable himself or others by means thereof to endanger life or cause serious injury to property.

That on January 17, in Salcey Forest, he had in his possession firearms and ammunition with intent by means thereof to endanger life or enable another by means thereof to endanger life.

Virgin plans flights to Toronto

From Philip Webster, Newark, New Jersey

Virgin Atlantic, the new cut-price airline run by Mr Richard Branson, the head of Virgin Records, has applied to the aviation authorities in Britain and Canada to operate a regular service to Toronto starting next May or June.

Plans for steady expansion of the airline, which has just one jumbo jet, were disclosed in Newark, New Jersey, at the weekend at the company celebrated the successful take-off, amid an extraordinary public relations ballyhoo, of its daily Gatwick to Newark run on Friday.

The company expects to start a new £20 one-way service to Maastricht in Holland in September through which it hopes to attract Dutch, German and Belgian passengers to the trans-Atlantic route. It has also applied to run a twice weekly service to Barbados from November. There are also tentative proposals for a service to Australia starting late next year or 1986.

Despite the ambitious plans, however, Mr Randolph Fields, Virgin's chairman, said the company was unlikely to acquire a second aircraft before March and that until then it could manage with the one. The Maastricht service will be an extension of the Gatwick to Newark route.

It is likely that the Newark service will be reduced from seven to five days a week during the winter months and the aircraft will be used for the Barbados run, if permission is granted, on the "spare" two days.

The second aircraft would become necessary next spring when the Newark service will go daily again and the Toronto service would start.

Virgin's promise to be Britain's liveliest airline was consummately fulfilled on its maiden flight, which carried scores of celebrities and a huge possee of American and British journalists. Sixty cases of campagne wer consumed above the Atlantic.

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Opposition politics: 1

Commons frustration fuels Labour absenteeism and the rise of mavericks

Mr Edward Heath and Mr Enoch Powell are in rare agreement; Labour is failing to provide effective opposition. Mr Bernard Weatherill, Speaker of the House of Commons, has talked of the "frustration parliament". Just where is the parliamentary opposition to Mrs Margaret Thatcher's government? *Anthony Bevins*, Political Correspondent, begins a three-part search with a look at the Commons chamber.

The Speaker was undoubtedly correct when he told a press gallery luncheon earlier this month that the Government's majority had created difficulties. Labour's 207 MPs are frustrated because they cannot possibly defeat an administration with an in-built majority of 142 votes.

The Social Democratic Party Liberal Alliance's 34 are equally frustrated, because they have again been thwarted by the in-built bias of the electoral system.

Each new Conservative MP has been lost in the serried ranks of eager young beavers out to make a mark and clamber up the ministerial ladder.

The Commons has been frustrated before, and its reaction has not been new. Some MPs have carried on regardless, plugging away with a dedication which matches the call of duty, others just stay away, some make money, others make mischief, and others become the mavericks; the MPs in all parts of the House who provide the essential elements of surprise.

But Labour's default has been unusual. A survey of Commons divisions last month has shown a distinct pattern of absence. After one 11 pm vote on the local government (Interim Provisions) Bill, Mr Michael Cocks, Labour's Chief Whip, was forced to explain to colleagues why 51 MPs had been missing.

That was nothing compared with an unnoticed event at 2.36 am on May 3, local election polling day, when the Labour whips divided the Commons against the third reading of the Health and Social Security Bill.

The Government won that vote by 118 to 20. The 20, and two Labour tellers, Mr Norman Hogg and Mr Frank Haynes, both whips, included the indomitable Mr Cocks, six Alliace MPs, and Mrs Jill Knight, Conservative MP for Birmingham, Edgbaston: 192 of Labour's 207 MPs were missing.

The situation deteriorated so much that Labour's whips were forced to introduce a system of "authorized absence".

Of course, the chamber has been empty for debates for many years. Few, if any, stay to be swayed by the arguments of others; most stay in the hope of being called to speak. By chance, a few lines might be reported in the national press, may be a minister will be impressed, and *Hansard* provides a free souvenir. It was ever thus.

But one change has occurred. The quality of opposition is different. Labour's techniques and tactics are in such a sorry state that as often as not they are totally outflanked and upstaged by the dissident Conservatives or by the minority Alliance.

The most striking speeches of opposition to legislation and government style are made by men such as Mr Heath or Mr Frances Pym. Dr David Owen stands out for his ability to sting the Prime Minister into a defensive stance.

But all such critics suffer one enormous handicap; they have pitiful little help from Her Majesty's official Opposition on the Labour benches.

It was no accident that the Alliance took over Labour's front bench on the report stage of the Local Government (Interim Provisions) Bill on May 24; Labour had opted out and the Alliance naturally filled the vacuum.

Neither was it an accident that Dr Owen last week asked the emergency question on civil legal action being taken to prevent pickets blocking supplies for British Steel.

The Labour leadership has no such agility. It is staked to the unions, the party conference and the candidate selection committees. There is a chilling despair about Labour, so deep and endemic that it is moving to behold at close quarters.

The chamber has been left wide open for the mavericks and the mischief-makers in the Alliance, the Labour Party and the Conservative Party. Opposition has become a process of prodding and goading the Government. For this Parliament at least, there is no hope of a kill.

Nevertheless, hope springs eternal, and as Mr Pym has predicted, Mrs Thatcher's critics hope that one day she will go out of fashion. Meanwhile, the Commons chamber is an essential indicator to the succession.

Tomorrow: The Committees

Too much, too big and too fast

Bill falls due for Brazil's boom years

As Latin American governments explore new ways of lightening the burden of their foreign debts, Patrick Knight in São Paulo looks at what Brazil did with all the money it borrowed. In the first of a two-part series, he sums up what was achieved.





Portrait of power: Factories in Vila Parisi, São Paulo.

Unlike those of many Latin American countries, the newspapers of Brazil are not full of advertisements for homes in the Californian sun, or the Vermont winter. Brazilians have not spirited their cash out of the country. There is plenty to show for the $100bn debt.

In fact, Brazil's problem is that far too much was attempted, on too large a scale, and too fast, making the economy very vulnerable at a time of capital shortage and tight export markets.

Grandiose plans were conceived more than a decade ago, coinciding with a time when banks were overflowing with cash, anxious to lend, and encouraging Brazil to set about fulfilling its dream of becoming a major power by the turn of the century.

The key is contained in the second national plan, published in 1975 at the beginning of the administration of General Ernesto Geisel. He blandly ignored the serious implications of the 1973 oil price rise and projects for all basic *industries, the transport infrastructure*, and energy were begun.

Massive foreign borrowing was required if it was all to be achieved fast. But that seemed no problem: bankers queued up to lend the money, and firms fought to sell the equipment.

Ten years later, there is a great deal to show: dozens of huge hydroelectric power stations have been built; steel capacity has been increased almost fourfold. After importing steel, costing $1.5bn in 1974, Brazil earned $1.2bn from exports last year.

Similar investments in non-ferrous metals have turned Brazil from an importer in 1975 of aluminium, copper and tin into an exporter of those metals.

The country's newly built pulp, and expanded paper industries, earned $2bn in exports last year. In 1964 the capitals of many of Brazil'a states were isolated from the rest of the country along dirt tracks. But now paved roads link all of them.

Just five years ago, Brazil was importing almost three quarters of the oil used by *industry and transport*. The oil bill in 1981 was getting on for half all export earnings, but a huge exploration programme has almost trebled production

If these projects can be criticized, it is that they were on too large a scale. Brazil is being forced to sell half its steel production abroad because internal markets have dried up. Although export earnings seem impressive, steel has to be sold at rock-bottom prices.

The industry has borrowed at least $15bn to reach its present stage, and earnings are hardly enough for interest payments.

The electricity generating industry is responsible for more than 10 per cent of the debt and high tariffs have to be charged to pay interest instalments.

***If* borrowing had been restricted to establishing a heavy industrial base, which could eventually pay for itself by means of exports, there could be few criticisms of Brazil's strategy. But administrations were not satisfied with industry alone.**

Picture of pollution: Devastation in the same city.

Tomorrow: Costly ambitions

Hongkong delegates snubbed by Deng

From David Bonavia
Hongkong

Hongkong people have reacted with a mixture of amusement and concern to reports that three members of the Executove and Legislative Councils were snubbed in Peking at the weekend by Mr Deng Xiaoping, the Chinese elder statesman.

Television film shown here portrayed Mr Deng in an unusually pugnacious and surly mood when he met the Hongkong party. Sir Sze-Yuen Chung, an unofficial member of the Executive Council, was visibly embarrassed by the remarks by Mr Deng, which were translated into Cantonese by an official interpreter. Sir Sze-Yuen cannot speak Mandarin.

The other members of the group were Miss Lydia Dunn and Mr Q. W. Lee, unofficial members of the councils, which are loosely equivalent to a Cabinet and a Parliament. The bodies are not elected, comprising official and unofficial members nominated by the Governor.

Though Sir Sze-Yuen denied yesterday that the three had been snubbed, the television film of the first part of their meeting with Mr Deng told its own story. The Chinese leader, unsmiling and abrupt, welcomed them with the observation that they were in Peking only in their personal capacities.

M Deng said China's mind was made up on the correct solution to the problem of Hongkong and nothing would change it. He told the Hongkong party that they should take the chance to learn something about China and the people of the mainland while they're there.

A group of leading businessmen from Hongkong fared better when they emphasized to Mr Deng that the door must be left open for any who wish to leave the territory, otherwise there would be a "brain drain", according to Mr Jack Tang, chairman of the General Chamber of Commerce.

The latest incident is the second time in a month that Mr Deng has shown severe irritation in public over the Hongkong question. The 80-year-old leader recently issued a sharp rebuke to two senior Chinese officials – a former Defence Minister and a former Foreign Minister – for having said that China would not station troops in Hongkong after the territory reverts to Chinese sovereignty on 1997.

Analysts of the Chinese political scene are inclined to see domestic political pressures behind Mr Deng's recent pugnacious mood. Faced with strong conservative currents in the Communist Party and the armed forces, which oppose his attacks on the policies of Chairman Mao, the redoubtable politician from Sichuan province may be sensitive to suggestions that his policy towards Hongkong is too "soft".

Chinese policy ove Hongkong is also intextricably linked – in the long term – with policy towards Taiwan and the Kuomintang regime there.

MP fights kidney failure



Back in business: Mr Michael McNair-Wilson, Conservative MP for Newbury, gets a hug from his daughter Laura, to celebrate the latest stage in his recovery from kidney failure just after Christmas. This week, Mr McNair-Wilson will make Commons history as the first working MP to depend on a kidney machine. He will still have to return to hospital in Oxford for twice-weekly dialysis, but treatment at St Thomas's Hospital Westminster, will enable him to resume full-time work in the House Photograph: David Harkley)

Telecom to issue guide to share sale

By Our Technology Correspondent

A guide to share dealing is to be sent next month to telephone subscribers on request, as part of the Government's campaign to educate the non-share buying public into the nuances of the City and encourage them to buy British Telecom shares.

Contained in the bills to the 16 million domestic telephone users and the four million businesses will be details of the corporation and the share issue which is scheduled for early November. It is the Government's intention to sell 51 per cent of the corporation

That ownership is to include employees of British Telecom, who will be offered discounts to purchase the shares and subscribers

Site of Irish last stand against Cromwell found

By Norman Hammond Archaeology Correspondent

Irish archaeologists have found the site of the last resistance to Cromwell's conquest in the 1650s. A fort thought to be of medieval date has been identified as a star-shaped construction characteristic of the mid-seventeenth century.

The fort, on the island of Inisbofin, off the coast of county Galway, has long been known as "Cromwell's Fort" but, according to Professor Etienne Rynne, of University College, Galway, the name has often been applied to sites without justification.

Professor Rynne heads the team of archaeologists who have carried a survey of co Galway, more than doubling the previously known representation of some classes of ancient monmument in the region.

The Inisbofin fort, previously listed as a medieval ring-fort, was built of limestone and much of the dressed stone facing has been removed over the past three centuries and burnt as lime dressing for fields.

The remains of the fort are, however, still in good condition, and are in a spectacular location on a clifftop.

Inisbofin was the scene of the last stand of the Irish under Rory O'More in 1653, and its conquest by Colonel Jones ended Cromwell's sweep through Ireland. The star-shaped plan may owe something to contemporary develo-pents in European military architecture, such as the works Vauban was constructing for Louis XIV.

The Galway survey has recorded more than six thousand sites, although it was also discovered that a third of the known sites in the country had been destroyed.

The number of previously known megalithic tombs, built as family sepulchres by the first farmers to settle in Ireland between 3,000 and 2,000 BC, has been doubled by the survey, and the neolithic population was clearly both larger and denser than has hitherto been supposed.

Divers strike N Sea deal

Divers working in the North Sea and their employers have agreed to establish uniform rates of pay. Experienced divers will now receive a basic daily rate of £125.

The agreement, which removes the threat of industrial action, replaces a variety of deals between different employers and individual divers, many of whom have been receiving no more than £45 a day.

The deal, which was announced on Saturday, comes into effect on August 1. It came after a week of negotiations between the divers' section of the National Union of Seamen and six diving contractors which between them employ about 90 per cent of Britain's offshore divers.

The union represents only half of the 2,000 divers working in the North Sea. The rest are represented by the Professional Divers Association, which was excluded from the negotiations but whose members will also benefit from the new rate.

The Times crop survey

By Our Agriculture Correspondent

Another record harvest is expected this year, in spite of the cold, dry spring, according to the first of this year's crop surveys conducted by *The Times*.

Spring barley is the exception, and the lack of moisture has also caused grass growth to be slow. Winter wheat has been largely disease-free but oil seed rape has been damaged by pigeons.

In the tables a rating of 100 represents healthy conditions, full growth and freedom from injury. Key: W (wheat), B (barley), O (oilseed rape), P (potatoes), S (sugar beet) and G (grass).

Division 1	W	B	O	P	S	G
Bedford	91	83	89	85	83	78
Cambridge	90	90	95	91	88	94
Essex	96	90	91	97	90	95
Hertford	95	[illegible]	92	95	85	87
Humberside	95	84	93	90	95	83
Lincolnshire	97	87	93	95	91	94
Norfolk	91	83	93	90	82	78
Suffolk	98	84	94	91	76	93
Averages	94	[illegible]	93	92	86	88
Division 2						
Berkshire	100	100	-	-	-	-
Buckinghamshire	85	-	-	-	-	-
Hampshire	95	91	95	92	-	96
Kent	101	84	91	93	-	91
Leicester	92	87	92	95	90	86
Northampt'shire	100	95	90	95	90	95
Nottinghamshire	98	98	100	100	98	100
Oxford	94	88	93	94	-	90
Surrey	96	83	86	81	91	98
Sussex	95	92	93	88	-	95
Warwick	92	87	87	93	-	89
Averages	95	92	92	92	92	93
Division 3						
Cornwall	95	98	90	90	-	88
Devon	83	82	85	75	-	75
Dorset	91	90	89	83	-	91
Gloucester	90	70	-	-	-	80
Hereford & Worc	91	92	95	91	83	88
Salop	95	91	94	94	93	95
Somerset	95	94	90	95	90	96
Wiltshire	91	83	95	95	-	92
Averages	92	88	93	89	89	88
Division 4						
Cheshire	93	94	92	94	-	89
Cumbria	92	89	88	93	-	91
Derbyshire	99	98	90	80	-	95
Durham	97	87	88	75	-	85
Lancashire	-	83	-	85	-	75
Northumberland	94	88	94	95	-	86
Staffordshire	99	91	92	99	87	94
Yorkshire	98	89	91	88	85	88
Averages	95	[illegible]	90	89	86	88
England	94	90	92	91	88	89
Scotland	92	92	93	94	-	89
Wales	95	95	-	94	-	94
Great Britain	94	90	92	91	88	89

Doubts remain as 3,000 of Hanoi's men march out

From David Watts
Singapore

With Cambodian women in traditional dress sprinkling flowers in their path, 3,000 Vietnamese troops left Cambodia for home over the weekend in Hanoi's third annual withdrawal of forces.

They were part of the 10,000 troops Vietnam says will leave this year, but as in provious years the validity of Hanoi's declarations is hard to judge. According to the official Kampuchean news agency, the units being taken out were Brigade 688 from Battambang, Brigade 690 from Siem Reap and Brigade 550 from Pursat, all forward areas for the Vietnamese in their five-year-old war against the Cambodian resistance. There are about 180,000 troops in Cambodia.

Last year the Vietnamese took forces from their rear areas round Phnom Penh. The fact that this year they came from the front lines may indicate what many believe; that the troops are merely rotated as the rainy season starts and Vietnam's forces are less manoeuvrable and less useful in the rain-sodden paddyfields.

Officially, Vietnam claims that it is able to withdraw its troops because of the increasingly stable situation in the country. According to Thai intelligence, fresh Vietnamese troops were brought to the Thia-Cambodian border conflict area before this weekend's withdrawal began.

Meanwhile Mr Khieu Samphan, Vice-President of the coalition "Government of Democratic Kampuchea", has promised that a Cambodia free of the Vietnamese would have a "liberal capitalist regime". Mr Samphaw was speaking over the Voice of the National Army of Democratic Kampuchea radio station, to mark the second anniversary of the coalition government.

The countries of the Association of South-East Asian Nations (Asean) have been pressing China to encourage the old guard of the Kumer Rouge to make themselves more palatable to the world at large, and Mr Samphan is obviously doing his bit.

Mr Samphan, who wrote a radical economic study on Cambodia while he was studying in France, said the switch to capitalism was necessary to preserve national unity at home and abroad and preserve and increase support for the coalition government at the United Nations.

"We need this continued support, Mr Samphan said, in a situation in which Kampuchea survival is constantly at stake. Tiny and weak, Kampuchea certainly cannot adopt a socialist regime. If Democratic Kampuchea sticks to a socialist regime, then Kampuchea would be isolated and annexed by Vietnam.

Opinion poll shock for Muldoon

From W P Reeves
Wellington

Even before battle has been properly joined in New Zealand for the snap election called for July 14, the ruling National Party looks vulnerable. The Government judged it best to go back to the electorate five months early after its one-seat parliamentary majority was put in jeopardy by the defection of Miss Marilyn Waring, a backbencher.

It has no margin for that erosion of support that parties in office customarily suffer at the polls. To make the party's prospect even grimmer, opinion polls taken since the election announcement show the opposition Labour Party pushed to the front in a sudden surge.

This is the challenge Sir Robert Muldoon, who has been Prime Minister for the past nine years, faces when he opens the campaign formally with a rally in Wellington tonight. Mr David Lange, leading Labour for the first time into an election battle, will inveil his policies in Christchurch tomorrow night.

Mr Lange is expected to focus his campaign on the ruling party's economic performance.

Sir Robert, on the other hand, will tonight point to the success of his anti-inflation programme and maintain that but for his economic interventionism – pursued, incidentally, in the face of strong criticism from elements within his own party – the country would have been in a worse economic situation.

King honours González



King Juan Carlos, as Commander-in-Chief of Spain's armed forces, has awarded Señor Felipe Conzālez (above the Prime Minister, the country's highest military honour, the Grand Cross of the Order of Military Merit. (Our Madrid correspondent writes). The King evidently wished to underline his approval of Señor Gonzáles's handling of the armed forces during the past 19 months.

The acceptance of the award is the more remarkable as Señor Gonzáles has indicated that at the end of his term of office he will decline if the King offers him a dukedom.

Lawyer who lost faith quits Aquino inquiry

From Keith Dalton
Manila

A leading Filipino lawyer has withdrawn from the official inquiry into the murder of Benigno Aquino, the opposition leader, claiming he has lost faith in its credibility and objectivity. Mr Paul Gonzales, president of the National Bar Asociation, said he decided to resign as one of the commission's private legal counsels "after much mental and soul-searching" because he was not allowed to cross-examine a witness who corroborated the military version of the Aquino killing.

"I feel that I can no longer continue participating in a process with so much public interest at stake when I no longer believe in its credibility and objectivity," he said in a letter to Mrs Corazon Agrava, chairman of the commission.

Mr Ganzales accused Mrs Agrava, a former judge of prematurely exonerating the Government of complicity in the murder and of being baised against the Aquino family.

He said Mr Agrava was overly protective of a recent *surprise* witness, Augusto Floresca, who is the first civilian witness who claims to have seen the shooting

Phone-tapping civilians to take over from Mounties

From Joan Best, Ottawa

Responsibility for internal security in Canada will soon be taken out of the hands of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and entrusted to a new civilian agency.

A controversial Bill to establish the Canadian Security Intelligence Service (CSIS), having survied a rough ride through the House of Commons, by 112 votes to 60, is expected to receive quick passage in the Senate this week, and then be proclaimed into law.

The Bill, introduced more than *a year* ago, *will alloy* members of the new security service to tap telephones, plant electronic listening devices, open mail and intrude into private premises.

Husband follows astronaut wife's trail into space

From Trevor Fishlock
New York

The space shuttle Discovery, newest ship in the American space service, is due to blast off from Cape Canaveral on its maiden journey today. It carries five astronauts, including the second American woman to go into space, and the first non-astronaut customer, an engineer who will operate a production plant.

One of the crew, husband of the first American woman to go into orbit, is following in his wife's spaceboot steps.

Discovery is carrying out the twelfth shuttle *mission. It* is scheduled to lift off at 8.43 am local time, 1.43 pm BST, and to return to Edwards Air Force base, California, next Monday at 6.53 am local time, 2.53 pm BST.

Tomorrow the crew will launch Leasat-1, a seven-ton Navy communications satellite, the first satellite designed specifically for launching from a shuttle.

On Wednesday a 102ft solar sail will be hoisted by one astronaut Miss Judith Resnik from Discover's cargo bay, it is hoped that this will be the forerunner of panels that will convert sun-power into electricity on future shuttle missions and on a space station. On *this trip it will* remain hoisted for three days for stability tests.

Discovery's crew will carry out a stereographic mapping of the Earth with a camera able to record individual houses. They will also make a photographic survey of cloud formations.

Meanwhile, Mr Charles Walker, aged 36, an engineer who works for McDonnell Douglas Astonautics Company, will operate a space laboratory to manufacture a new drug. Neither McDonnell Douglas nor Johnson and Johnson, its partner in the venture, will say what the drug is for, but it is thought it may be used in the treatment of diabetes. About three litres of the drug will be made in the weightless and unpolluted conditions of space. It will be tested on animals and humans later this year.

Mr Walker's only job is to keep his laboratory working. He has recieved 130 hours of training to fit him for life on board the shuttle.

Only Discovery's commanding officer has been into space before. He is Henry Hartsfield, aged 51, who was pilot on the fourth shuttle mission two years ago. His crew are Commander Michael Coats, aged 38; Miss Judith Resnik, aged 35; Lieutenant Colonel Richard Mullane, aged 38; and M Steven Hawley, aged 32. Mrs Hawley – Miss Sally Ride – was America's first woman in space a year ago.

The other two shuttles are being prepared for future flights.

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Mubarak woos Arab world with appeal to Iran for Gulf truce

From Robert Fisk, Cairo

In a deliberate if slightly melodramatic attempt to re-install Egypt in the front rank of the Arab world, President Hosi Mubarak inaugurated his new Parliament in Cairo yesterday with an emotional appeal to Iran to stop the Gulf war and an offer to step down after a second presidential term of office.

Watched by Presdident Nimeiry of Sudan, Mr Mubarak told the 458-member Assembly – in which his own National Democratic Party now holds 391 seats – that he was calling on Egypt's Iranian brothers to halt the war "because brothers should be allied to Arab and Islamic countries".

Egypt, the President said, was "not biased against them (the Iranians). We are biased towards truth and we see our brothers being killed. Let us put an end to this bloody tragedy."

Mr Mubarak carefully hedged his appeal for peace with a reference to Egypt's national security, a notion which included the defence of the Arab world and is therefore likely to soften any anger or suspicions that might be provoked in Baghdad.

Iran will probably demonstrate little interest in the Mubarak speech, but it is none the less likely to arouse much sympathy among the Arab nations – except for Syria, Libya and South Yemem – which have boycotted Egypt since the 1979 Camp David accord.

The domestic theme of the President's address, however, was Egypt's movement towards democracy, a path which – according to Mr Mubarak's critics – is still extremely hard to find.

He had personally appointed to the Parliament 10 new members, including Mr Ibrahim Shukri, the chairman of the Socialist Labour Party, one of three opposition parties which failed to gain seats in the May 27 election because, under a rather dubious electoral rule, no group with less than 8 per cent of the vote can hold seats. Other opposition parties claim that the poll was rigged.

Rather than reply to his critics, Mr Mubarak yesterday preferred to emphaize a personal distaste for power. It had been suggested, he said, that he should resign as leader of his party in return for a life presidency.

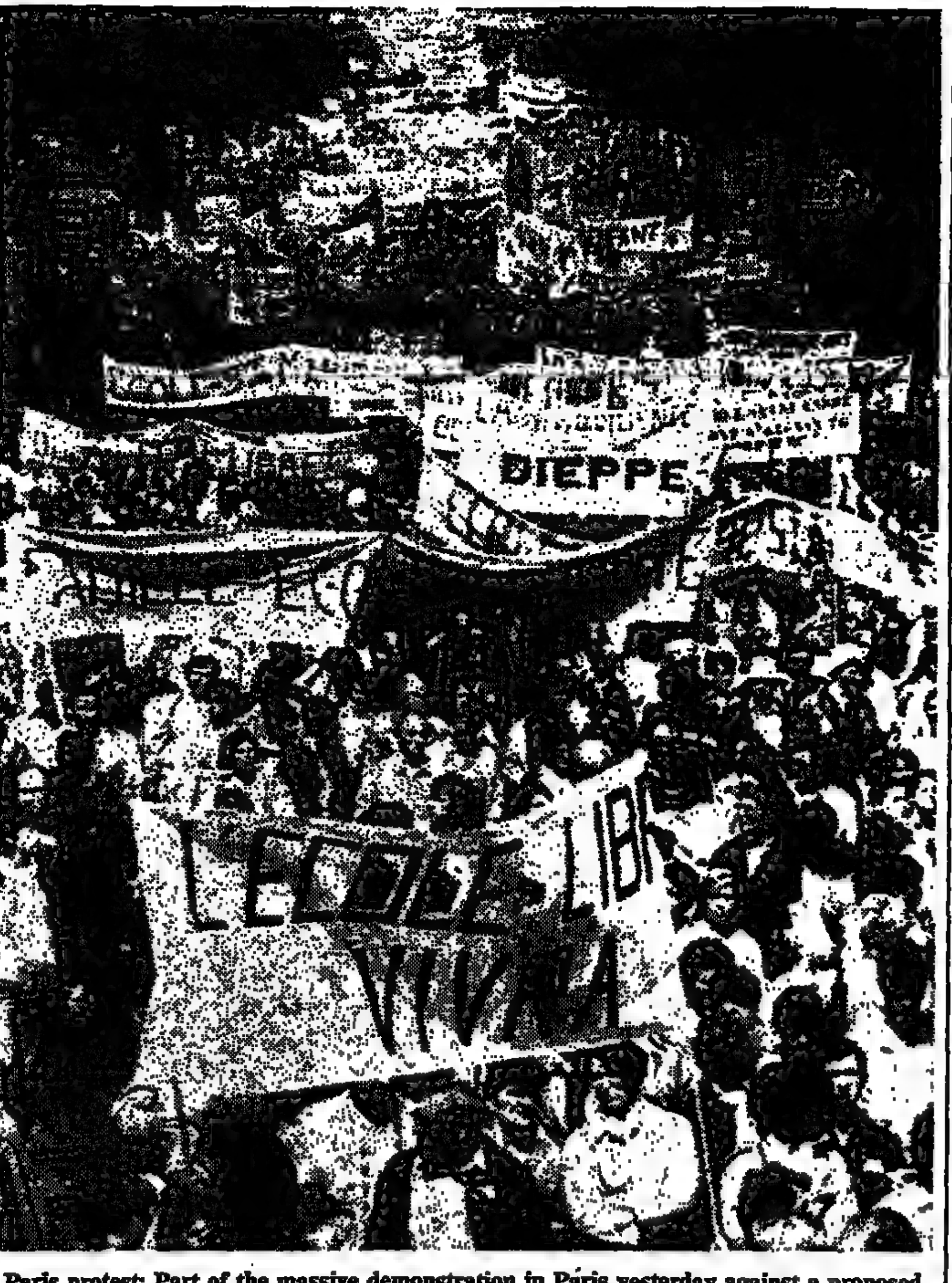
"I am not looking for this," he said. "I think any presidential term should be within a time frame and not forever. I believe no President should stay for more than two terms, and I would be happy to be the first President to have such a rule applied to him."

In fact, Mr Mubarak is still in his first term of office and would, if he meant what he said, relinquish power only in 1993.

Since the Sudanes Socialist Union is the only political party allowed in Sudan, the mysteries of Mr Mubarak's deomocracy might have appeared somewhat confusing to President Nimeiry

No comment was made in Parliament about the principles of Islamic justice now being applied in Sudan. The Egyptian press had studiously refrained from reporting the 23 arm and leg amputations, the floggings and hangings carried out in Khartum and other cities under Mr Nimeiry's new Islamic laws. The Egyptian public, it seems, must not be given a taste for such punishments.

But the Sudanese leader regularly visits Alexandria in the last week of Ramadan and his attendance as a guest of honour at yesterday's (sun) Parliament was probably inevitable.



Paris protest: Part of the massive demonstration in Paris yesterday against a proposed law to increase state control of private schools.

Clashes on minor issues

Mitterrand visit seen as success in Russia

From Richard Owen, Moscow

Soviet officials claim that President Mitterrand's visit to Moscow has improved the East-West climate, although *Pravda* yesterday indirectly criticized the French leader for "trying to teach the Soviet Union what it should do in the field of human rights". The paper also censored M Mitterrand's tribute to German war dead during a speech at Volgograd (formerly Stalingrad) on Saturday.

M Mitterrand returned to Paris yesterday directly from Volgograd after talks in Moscow which he said had "warmed up" France-Soviet relations. In a telegram to President Chernenko from on board his aircraft, M Mitterrand described their talks as "serious, frank and in-depth" and said he hoped the "useful dialogue" would be continued.

M Mitterrand was seen off at the Kremlin by Mr Chernenko and Mr Andrei Gromyko, the Foreign Minister, before he left for Volgograd. This reflects the Soviet leadership's satisfaction over the visit – the first by an important Western leader since Mr Chernenko took over – despite the controversy stirred up by M Mitterrand's public plea for Dr Andrei Sakharov, the dissident physicist, at a Kremlin dinner. *Pravda* yesterday reinforced Mr Chernenko's tough stance, noting that "the bourgeois press and some Western figures" had taken to lecturing Russia on human rights when in fact it was the West which deprived people of homes and jobs and imprisoned "disloyal citizens".

In his speech at Volgograd, M Mitterrand pleased his host by describing Stalingrad as the decisive battle on which the fate of the war had hung. The Kremlin resented the recent D-day celebrations and argues that the Soviet role in the defeat of Nazi Germany is played down by the West. M Mitterrand paid tribute to the courage of the Red Army, which had fought for Stalingrad "street by street, house by house, floor by floor".

But he added: "Let us not forget those soldiers who fought on the opposite side". M Mitterrand said the Germans and their allies had suffered and fallen "far from their homes, absurd victims of a suicidal system" but "sons of noble people". He added that "today's reconciliations supersede the rifts of yesterday," a remark which Russians found hard to swallow.

The Soviet press, reporting the award to Volgograd of The *Legion D'Honneur* by the French leader, published his praise of the 47,000 Soviet troops who fell at Stalingrad but not his reference to the far higher German losses (150,000) or his tribute to their courage.

Soviet officials regard these upsets as relatively minor, however, compared to the political gain of warmer ties between Moscow and Paris. Mr Chernenko has accepted an invitation to visit Paris and trade is expected to pick up markedly.

For Russians, the main sign that M Mitterrand and Mr Chernenko had found common ground came on Friday night, when the French President made a five-minute address on television praising friendship with Russia

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Greek oil tanker sails on after Iraqi air attack

By Our Foreign Staff

A 152,000-ton Greek tanker, the Alexander the Great, was attacked in the Gulf by Iraqi aircraft yesterday, but continued its voyage.

The ship was loaded with oil when it was hit by Iraqi aircraft near Kharg Island, Iran's main oil terminus in the Gulf.

A spokesman for Greece's Merchant Marine Ministry said: "We do not know the extent of damage." Greek diplomatic representatives in the Gulf area had been alerted.

A spokesman for the agents said the ship was hit by a rocket as it was ready to sail with an oil cargo. "None of the 26-crew members was injured in the attack. The ship suffered light damage but was able to sail away by its own means and is now on its way to the exit of the Gulf."

An Iraqi military spokesman said fighters yesterday carried out "courageous raids" on four "big naval targets" south of Kharg Island. Reading a communique over the state radio, in Baghdad, he said all "jet fighters that took part in the raids returned safely to base".

The aircraft, according to the spokesman, scored direct and effective hits on the unidentified vaval targets. The term "big naval targets", in Iraqi parlance, usually refers to oil tankers.

The attack, the spokesman said, was "in fulfilment of our determination to tighten the total blockage imposed on Kharg Island and other Iranian ports in the Gulf".

The attack, the first by the Iraqis in the Gulf since June 8, brings to 40 the number of Iranian, Arab and foreign ships crippled during the four-month Iraqi blockade imposed on Iranian ports, according to communiqués in Baghdad.

Lacklustre campaign

Labour widens its lead in Israel

From Christopher Walker, Jerusalem

With a month to go until srael's general election, a urprisingly lacklustre campaign is helping the main pposition Labour Party.

The latest poll published esterday, showed Labour to ave improved its early lead ver the ruling right-wing ikud coalition from 12 to 15 eats since early June. It now tands to return 54 deputies gainst the Likud's 39 in the 20-seat Parliament.

The majority of the smaller arties are religious or rightving in tendency, so it is enerally believed that Labour tarts with a built-in disadvantage in trying to form a orkable coalition at present. srael analysts predict that it nust win at least 52 seats to be ble to return to power after an bsence of seven years.

One poll showed the extreme ight-wing Techiya Party and he long-established National eligious Party in a tie for hird place with five deputies apiece. But 88 per cent of all hose who voted Labour in 1981 emained loyal, compared with nly 56 per cent who voted ikud. But among new voters, he Likud was more popular, eading by 43 to 26 per cent.

Last week another prominent Israeli pollster, Mr Hanuch Smith, explained that, although it is likely that the present gap – which has been apparent in every poll yet published – will narrow before polling on July 23, it would now be "very difficult" for the Likud to overtake Labour.

Problems are also understood to have been revealed in recent private Likud polls and government supporters are anxious to inject more life into the campaign. The Cabinet decided yesterday to order striking Israel radio and television journalists back to work, to ensure the appearance of the regular party broadcasts, an integral part of Israel's electioneering. The journalists said they would be challenging the orders in the High Court.

One piece of good news for the Government, whose campaign has been lacking the personal magnetism and oratorical skills of Mr Menachem Begin, the ailing former Prime Minister, was a last-minute agreement signed by the Treasury yesterday, just in time to prevent a damaging rash of strikes throughout the economy's large public sector.

Karami Cabinet closes ranks to reform Army

From Our Correspondent Beirut

In its first display of unity, ebanon's new national oalition Cabinet has approved lans to reorganize the country's splintered Army and stablish an enduring ceasefire n the war-shattered capital.

The drama of Saturday's neeting at President Gemayel's ummer palace in Bikfaya, 10 niles north-east of Beirut, was eightened by the personal nguish of Mr Rashid Karami, he Prime Minister. Half way hrough the session, Mr Karami eceived word that his mother ad died at the age of 80 at the merican University Hospital n Beirut. After a half-hour olitude, he returned to the neeting and helped to hammer ut the political compromise imed at ending nine years of ivil war.

"It is a strange coincidence of person's death and a nation's esurrection", he said after the neeting.

The plan, which had been roposed a week ago, by Vice-resident Abdul-Halim Haddam of Syria, on a mediation ip to Bikfaya calls for a easefire on all civil war fronts, he reorganization of the miliry command, and the creation f a state security agency. doption of the plan constited the first concrete action by he Karami Government.

Once implemented, Mr arami promised, "Beirut shall be reunited. All crossings will be reopened.



Mr Karami: Coincidence of death and resurrection

But militia clashes along the Green Line bisecting the capital into Christian east and Muslim west persisted throughout the weekend. Police said that six injuries reported overnight on Saturday and early yesterday raised the weekend toll to four dead and 57 wounded.

As the country's leaders talked of peace and security, two diplomats in Beirut came under attack. Herr Gerhard Loitzenbauer, the Austrian attaché, was shot dead on Saturday by two gunmen intent on stealing his car. The shooting came only an hour after four gunmen stormed into the Bristol Hotel in west Beirut and kidnapped the Libyan envoy, Mr Muhammad Moghrabi, from the lobby.

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Sikh priest pleads with Mrs Gandhi to pull her troops out of temple

From Michael Hamlyn
Delhi

Wearing a white sari, the sign of mourning, and looking drawn and distraught, Mrs Indira Gandhi, the Indian Prime Minister, visited the Golden Temple of Amritsar to see for herself the extent of the damage done when her troops seized it from Sikh extremists.

While she was there she heard a plea from the head priest of the Temple, Giani Sahib Sigh, for the withdrawal of troops from the temple and the admission of devotees. While he had her attention, the Giani added a request that there should be an early release of innocent people and compensation for those whose property was damaged during the battle for the temple.

According to reports, Mrs Gandhi heard him out in silence, and later went to the local army hospital to visit soldiers wounded in the assault.

Her Government, meanwhile, has toughened the alredy draconian National Security Act which permits the holding of suspected people for up to 90 days. The intention is to make it more difficult for this to be opposed in the courts, on the ground that one of the reasons given for a detention is faulty. Two immediate instances of the operation of the new rules were Sant Harchand Singh Longowal, the president of the Sikh political party, Akali Dal, and Mr Gurcharan Singh Tohra, head of the principal temple management committee, who is being detained with him in Udaipur in Rajasthan. Both were released under the old NSA rules and immediately rearrested under the new. Both have been subject of *habeas corpus* pleas in the Supreme Court.

A further nine Akali Dal Leaders and officials of the committee arrested at the same time were also released – for good – and 500 more people have been moved to jails near their homes before their release.

A campaign against foreign media, in particular the BBC appears to be building up in the capital. During the past few days a number of demonstrations have been held outside the British High Commission in the diplomatic enclave of Delhi, and one was held outside the residence of the BBC's correspondent in Delhi, Mr Mark Tully.

The demonstrators have been held a good distance from the High Commission – so far that cynics have been suggesting that the Indian Government is anxious to teach a lesson to the British on how to control demonstrations outside High Commissions, recalling that when the Sikhs demonstrated in London the Indian High Commission was guarded only by one policeman and demonstrators managed to break into the building.

According to the *Nation Herald*, the paper closest to Mrs Gandhi, the BBC's attitude is "true to the tradition of old world conservatives who do not seem to have been reconciled to the loss of India and the Empire".

Another newspaper which generally supports Mrs Gandhi's party the *Hindustan Times*, published a cartoon yesterday of a BBC announcer with a snake coiled round the microphone.

Feelings against the BBC began after an interview was broadcast in London with the self-styled leader of the Khalistan government-in-exile, Dr Jagjit Singh Chanhan.

● MOURNING DAY: High priests at the Golden Temple, demanding the withdrawal of troops from the shrine, called on Sikhs at home and abroad to observe a day of mourning next month (Reuter reports). Sikhs are asked to pray for 24 hours on July 15 in memory of Sikhs who died in the Army's storming of the temple grounds on June 6.

Forces clash in border valley

India used paratroopers recently to clear Pakistani soldiers from the Nobra valley in northern Kashmir, close to the Karakoram highway which the Chinese have completed for Pakistan (Kuldip Nayor writes from Srinagar).

According to reports from the area, Pakistani troops had occupied part of the glacier in the Nobra valley a few weeks ago, hoping that they would not be noticed and that subsequently they could claim the territory on the basis of possession.

India retaliated by dropping paratroopers behind the Pakistanis. The operation was completed neatly and quickly, but there were many casualties on both sides. Firing from both sides has been going on intermittently since then at heights of about 22,000 ft.

Pakistan's purpose in making the intrusion was apparently to straighten the Karakoram highway, which has to take a circuitous route near the Nobra valley.

Democrat election blueprint ready

From Nicholas Ashford
Washington

The Democratic Party's platform committee yesterday completed work on a big policy document for the November elections which calls for annual summit meetings with the Soviet Union starting next year.

The party's blueprint for the next four-year Presidential term, to submitted to the Democratic National Convention in San Francisco next month, also endorses a nuclear arms freeze and oppose the MX missile, the B1 bomber, and production of new chemical weapons.

Attacking President Reagan as dangerous, reckless and out of touch with reality, it says the next President should update and resubmit to the Sentate the unratified Salt 2 arms reduction treaty.

On domestic issues, the document calls for new or enhanced government assistance for the various constituencies that form the party's backbone – the poor, elderly, blacks and other minorities. It also proposes tax increases for the wealthy and big companies help pay for these programmes.

Despite its commitment to social programmes, the document is more conservative than in recent years, stressing the need for the party to take responsibility for reducing the huge federal budget deficit. It is the product of compromises among backers of Mr Walter Mondale, the likely Democratic presidential nominee, and his two rivals, Senator Gary Hart and the Rev Jesse Jackson.

Its length, about that of a 100-page book, reflects the horse-trading that went on to produce a document behind which, it is hoped, the party can now unite after a bruising and divisive primary campaign.

The document was drawn up by a 184-member platform committee, chaired by Representative Geraldine Ferraro, one of the leading candidates for the vice-presidential nomination. Party officials said the successful way she handled the platform-writing sessions should heighten her chances

Meanwhile, Mr Mondale has continued to interview potential nominees for running mate at his home in Minnesota. Among those he has already seen are Mr Tom Bradley, the black Mayor of Los Angeles, Mrs Dianne Feinstein, the Mayor of San Francisco, and Senator Lloyd Bentsen of Texas.

Mr Mondale was also expected to receive the belated endorsement of Senator Edward Kennedy, his erstwhile presidential rival, who visited him yesterday.



Running mates?: Mr Walter Mondale meeting San Francisco Mayor Mrs Dianne Feinstein at the weekend in his search for a Vice-Presidential candidate.

Hijacked plane returns to Iran

Nice (AP) – An Iranian navel transport aircraft, hijacked by four men who took it to France and demanded political asylum, returned to Tehran, officials confirmed yesterday.

The Fokker 27 was turned over to the Iranian Government, represented by a member of the Paris embassy, at Nice airport on Saturday.

The four unwilling Iranian passengers flew home on Thursday, while those seeking asylum were taken under police protection to a secret place near Bordeaux after they refused an offer to refuel the aircraft and fly elsewhere.

Body found near Albania coast

Paris (AP) – M Jean-Marie Masselin, an employee of the French Club Mediterranée on Corfu, who disappeared last week, has been found dead by Greek sailors near the Albanian coast.

The company last week said that Albanian border guards had shot at two of its workers who strayed too near coastal water during fishing expedition. M Masselin was found floating in the sea with a bullet wound in the head.

Jail for sixth ex-governor

Lagos (Reuter) – A military tribunal in the north-central Nigerian city of Jos jailed the former governor of Plateau state, Solomon Lar, for 22 years on corruption charges.

A leading opposition politician before the coup at the beginning of this year, he was the sixth ex-governor to be jailed for corruption since the tribunals started last month. The prosecution alleged that 33m naira (£32m) had been improperly spent.

Mine blast toll

Taipei (AP, Reuter) – Ten more bodies were recovered from the Haishan mine near here, raising to 38 the death toll from a gas explosion which ripped through a tunnel in Taiwan's second biggest coal mine last Wednesday.

Athlete defects

Berlin (AP) – The Polish decathlon champion, Dariusz Ludwig, disappointed by his country's Olympic boycott, has defected, according to a West Berlin newspaper.

Detention order

Buenos Aires (Reuter) – A judge has ordered the detention of former Argentine President Roberto Viola in connexion with the disappearance of a state technician in late 1978.

Life sentences

Rabat (Reuter) – Two people were jailed for life by a court in Tetuán, northern Morocco, on charges connected with January's bloody riots. The sentences were the harshest passed so far on those accused of being involved in the riots against the high cost of living.

Namibia deaths

Johannesburg (Reuter) – Two civilians have been killed in a land mine blast in northern Namibia. Their vehicle set off the mine in the Ovambo region which borders Angola.

Chile arrests

Santiago (AP) – Two members of the outlawed Chilean Communist Party, expelled from the country in April, were arrested on their return, despite an appeal court ruling which recognized thier right to come home.

Release of 21 prisoners sought

Jackson to try his magic in Cuba

From Our Own Correspondent, Washington

The Rev Jesse Jackson, the black US presidential candidate, hopes to pull off another headline-grabbing coup when he visits Cuba this week, by persuading Dr Fidel Castro to release a number of Cuban political prisoners.

According to aides travelling with Mr Jackson, who began a four-nation Central America "peace mission" in Panama on Saturday, the Cuban leader has already agreed to discuss a release of prisoners and will give the matter "serious consideration".

Mr Jackson is to present Dr Castro with a list of 21 names when they hold talks in Havana tonight. The list, which includes prisoners held for up to 20 years, was given to him by Señor Luis Lauredo, leader of a Florida-based group called Cuban-American Democrats.

The list was discussed with Cuban diplomats in Washington before Mr Jackson set out on his six-day journey. Mr Jackson, who is accompanied by 130 people, including 75 journalists, clearly hopes his mission will reap as many political benefits for him at his home as did his journey to Syria in January, when he negotiated the release of an American airman, Lieutenant Robert Goodman.

In particular, the black civil rights leader hopes it will draw more Hispanics into his so-called "Rainbow coalition". During the primary campign Mr Jackson attracted only limited support from Hispanics, most of whom either voted for Mr Walter Mondale the likely Democratic nominee, or did not vote at all.

Apart from stops in Panama and Cuba, where he will make a televised broadcast, in addition to holding a joint press conference with Dr Castro tomorrow, Mr Jackson will also visit El Salvador and Nicaragua.

Mr Jackson is carrying with him a 10-point programme for peace in the region, which includes whole-hearted support for the four Contadora Group nations (Panama, Venezuela, Mexico and Colombia) which have been trying to work out a Central American peace formula for 18 months.

Mr Jackson is to hold talks with President Duarte of El Salavador and Sandinista leaders in Nicaragua, as well as representatives of left-wing Salvadorean rebels.

The State Department yesterday could not confirm reports that US and Nicaraguan officials are to hold talks

● POET FREE: Jorge Valls, a political prisoner and poet, has been released from a Cuban prison after 20 years of confinement which inspired award-winning poetry and a book, the Cuban authorities have confirmed (AP reports from Miami).

He is reported to have walked out of Boniato prison in eastern Cuba on Thursday.

10 more die as Spanish road toll mounts

From Richard Wigg
Madrid

Ten people died in two more coach crashes in Spain over the weekend. Six were Spaniards and four Portuguese.

So far this year 59 people have been killed on Spanish roads, nine of them Britons, and more than 360 hurt in 15 coach crashes.

In a leading article yesterday entitled "Death in a Coach", *Diario 16*, the liberal Madrid newspaper, blamed excessive speed by coaches and other heavy vehicles for the chain of accidents.

It alleged that transport firms on the country's "black economy" do not comply with regular road for worthiness tests or safety controls.

Last week four coach accidents in five days killed 26 people, including a British woman tourist sightseeing on the Costa del Sol.

Police blamed speed for the death of nine people early on Saturday near Calatayud, central Spain. Victims included school children on an end-of-term visit to Portugal.

Only a few hours earlier, one person was killed and six injured when a coach's brakes failed, according to the police, and the vehicle his a tree.

Chernenko displays air of authority

From Richard Owen, Moscow

President Chernenko's performance during the Moscow visit of President Mitterrand of France has fired controvesy among Kremlin watchers here over the extent to which the Soviet leader is in charge. Observers close to the Franco-Soviet summit talks said that in contrast to earlier reports Mr Chernenko appeared in command during the Mitterrand visit, dealing with complex political issues rather than relying on prepared texts and the advice of aides.

In the opening round of talks on Friday, Mr Chernenko and M Mitterrand read prepared statements, but later held a more private and less formal *tête a tête*, as well as a third round of exchanges.

Since he succeeded Yuri Andropov as party leader in February, Mr Chernenko has often seemed stiff and lacking in authority, an impression reinforced by his shortness of breath and poor speaking manner.

In talks with a series of foreign politicians after his election as President in April, Mr Chernenko relied heavily on written speeches, leaving detailed negotiation to Mr Andrei Gromyko, the veteran Foreign Minister. According to some sources, Mr Gromyko, aged 74, has taken control of Soviet policy and is largely responsible for Moscow's current hard line.

Informed sources say, however, that although Mr Chernenko heads a collective leadership in which key roles are played by Mr Gromyko, Marshal Ustinov, the Defence Minister, and Mr Tikhonov, the Prime Minister, all important decisions are channelled through Mr Chernenko as General-Secretary of the party.

The office of party secretary – the post of President is largely ceremonial – remains decisive whatever the personality of the office holder, the sources say.

Some political observers believe that it is Mr Chernenko's character and background which colours Soviet policy towards the West as much as the influence of Mr Gromyko or Marshal Ustinov.

A Siberian of peasant stock, Mr Chernenko served with the Border Guards in his youth. His attitudes were subsequently formed by a career within the closed world of the party bureaucracy.

On the other hand, Soviet sources insist that it is wrong to suppose that the Soviet leader is a man of insular, parochial or aggressive and chauvinistic views. For proof, they point to Mr Chernenko's many years at the side of President Brezhnev,

Zimbabwe call for calm after ban on rallies

From Stephen Taylor
Harare

The Zimbabwe Government has forbidden all political demonstrations in an attempt to prevent further factional violence in which at least six people have died in the past two weeks, Mr Maurice Nyagumbo, Minister responsible for political affairs, told a rally in Bulawayo yesterday.

At the same time Mr Emmerson Munangagwa, the Security Minister who was also addressing the rally in a city generally hostile to the ruling Zanu (PF) Party, said: "We appeal for peace in Bulawayo. Let us not test each others strength." The conciliatory remarks follow a spate of violent demonstrations by Zanu (PF) sypporters against Mr Joshua Nkomo and the Zapu opposition. In addition to the killings well over 200 people have been injured in Midlands towns while Zapu offices and homes have been damaged.

Russians pay tribute to a saviour from Scotland

From Richard Owen, Moscow

Robert the Bruce is not the only member of that illustrious Scottish family to have left his mark on history, according to the Russians. There was also Roman the Bruce – A lesser-known figure, perhaps, but of greater importance to Russia.

Four centuries after his ancestor defeated the English at Bannockburn, Roman was beating back the Swedes from Peter the Great's new Peter and Paul Fortress at St Petersburg.

On Saturday Roman's remains were reinterred in a special ceremony what is now in Leningrad as the fortress cannon boomed across the Neva river.

The Bruce family's links with Russia began in the mid-seventeenth century, according to Tass, which reported the ceremony. It said William Bruce had been "deported from Scotland during the time of Cromwell" and had *found* employment with the Russian Tsar, Alexis.

William's son, Roman, became and intimate of Peter the Great, and accompanied him in his carousing and fact-finding tours abroad.

In 1703, when Peter founded his new capital in marshland on the Neva, he put his Scottish companion in charge of the garrison. According to the Russian version of events Roman "beat back three attempts by the Swedes to destroy the new Russian capital then under construction". He died in 1720, and was buried in the fortress.

He was given the rank of General by Peter, and is regarded as an assimilated Russian of Royal Scottish origin rather than a Scot.

Tass said Roman's grave – long thought to be lost – had recently been discovered by Soviet Archaeologists, together with his medals and regalia. Anthropologists *now* hope to reconstruct the face of General Bruce by measuring his skull.

Whale hunting quotas cut by conference

From Our Correspondent
Buenos Aires

The yearly meeting of the International Whaling Commission ended in confusion, with Japan, the Soviet Union and Brazil protesting energetically against its decision to slash commercial quotas.

The leader of the Japanese delegation, Mr Yomezawa, walked out of the meeting on Friday after it voted 22 to seven to reduce the 1985 quota of Antarctic minke whales – the main species hunted commercially – to 4,224, from this year's 6,655.

The Soviet and Brazilian delegations lodged a formal objection to the decision.

The commission also voted to ban all hunting of sperm whales in the North Pacific from next year and cut next year's quotas of northern hemisphere minke whales.

The IWC stuck to its decision to enforce a five-year ban on all commercial whaling from 1986, despite objections from the main whaling nations.

MPs seek peace deal in Argentina

From Douglas Tweedale
Buenos Aires

A group of British legislators are due to arrive in Argentina today for a five-day visit aimed at exploring possible solutions to the Falkland Islands conflict.

Mr Cyril Townsend, Conservative MP for Bexlybeath, Mr George Foulkes, Labour MP for Carrick, Cumnock and Doon Valley, and Lord Kennet for the Alliance are expected to seek an interview with President Alfonsín or Señor Caputo, the Foreign Minister, during their stay, though Argentine officials connected with the visit said this was "unlikely".

Congressional sources here explained that the visit was "completely private in nature" despite the fact that the parlimentarians are to be received by the Argentine Senate tomorrow.

The visit is being sponsored by the South Atlantic Council, a British group critical of Mrs Thatcher's policies towards the Falklands.

The three legislators are also due to meet local businessmen and politicians and members of the diplomatic community

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Repetition of facts is acceptable

Shah v Swallow

Before Lord Diplock, Lord Fraser of Tullybelton, Lord Roskill, Lord Bridge of Harwich and Lord Brandon of Oakbrook

[Speeches delivered June 21]

Where substantial factual material was common to a number of offences in contravention of various provisions of the same statute, the setting out of that common legal and factual material in a preamble, and the subsequent incorporation of it by reference in ensuing paragraphs charging the alleged offences was an acceptable procedure and did not constitute an information charging a number of offences and thereby invalid.

The House of Lords reversed a decision of the Queen's Bench Divisional Court (Lord Justice Watkins and Mr Justice McCullough) (*The Times* November 9, 1983) who allowed Mr Saiyad Shah's appeal against his conviction by the Croydon Justices of offences against the Food Hygiene (General) Regulations (SI 1970 No 1172).

Rule 12 of the Magistrates Court Rules (SI 1981 No 552) provides: "(1)... a magistrates' court shall not proceed to the trial of an information that charges more than one offence. (2) Nothing in this rule shall prohibit two or more informations being set out in one document."

The respondent had been charged in the following terms, that "On [date] at ... being a person carrying on a food business ... committed the five offences hereunder specified.

"Contrary to the several provisions hereunder specified of the Food Hygiene (General) Regulations 1970 made under section 13 of the Food and Drugs Act 1955, hereunder referred to as 'the said Regs'

"(i) The food business was being carried on at insanitary premises ... contrary to regs 6 and 29 (2) (a) of the said Regs"

Paragraphs (ii) to (v) likewise listed other alleged contraventions.

Mr Anthony Arlidge, QC and Mr Brian Jubb for the prosecutor; Mr Nigel Ley and Miss Renee Calder for the defendant.

LORD BRIDGE said that the sole argument in support of the defendant's case, that the five offences charged against him were contained in a single information, rested on the proposition that the first paragraph of the relevant document embodied allegations of fact which it was necessary to allege in relation to each of the offences charged and that the second paragraph identified the regulations creating the several offences which again it was necessary to specify in relation to each of the offences.

Counsel for the defendant had conceded that if the common material contained in the two opening paragraphs had been repeated in each of the five numbered paragraphs specifying the separate offences charged he would have had no case to argue.

But that more prolix manner of alleging the five separate offences charged, apart from wasting time and paper, would have made no difference to the substance of the document. It would still have conveyed precisely the same meaning to the mind of the reader.

Where, as in the present case, substantial factual material was common to a number of offences to be charged and the offences were in contravention of various provisions of the same legislative instrument, it was an eminently sensible economy that the common factual and legal material should be set out once at the beginning and then incorporated by reference in each of the ensuing numbered paragraphs charging the several alleged offences.

Although the Divisional Court had allowed the defendant's appeal by the authority of *Edwards v Jones* ([1947] KB 659), that case was a classic one of a single information charging alternative offences which was bad for duplicity, and had no relevance to the present issue.

The document in the present case plainly set out five separate informations charging five separate offences.

Lord Diplock, Lord Fraser, Lord Roskill and Lord Brandon agreed.

Solicitors: Director of Public Prosecutions; Ouvry Goodman & Co, Sutton.

Sterling order restored

Regina v. Cambridge County Court, Ex parte Ireland

Where a judge had made an order for periodical payments to be paid to a petitioner and any child of the family and the order was to be for payment in pounds sterling to which both parties were agreed, there was no jurisdiction in that court to alter that oral judgment so as to order payment in US dollars.

Where oral judgment had been given, it was to be assumed that the judgment was valid and effective save in most exceptional circumstances: see *In re Barrell Enterprises* ([1973] 1 WLR 19). Any offer by the judge to both parties subsequently to make representations was of no effect since there was no power to alter once the order had been drawn up and entered.

Mr Justice Glidewell so held in the Queen's Bench Division on June 20 quashing the order of Judge Garfitt dated September 30, 1983, at Cambridge County Court and making an order directing the district registry to express the judgment in pounds sterling.

Divisional Court

No power of entry without injury

Fox v Gwent Chief Constable

Before Lord Justice Robert Goff and Mr Justice Mann

[Judgment delivered June 19]

A police officer seeking to obtain a specimen of breath from a defendant for the purposes of section 7(4) of the Road Traffic Act 1972, as substituted by the Transport Act 1981, had no power to enter the defendant's house without his consent unless the requirements of section 7(6) of the Road Traffic Act 1972 were met.

In this case, section 7(6) which provided power of entry where a police officer had reasonable cause to suspect injury to another person, had no application. The police officers were trespassers. The requirement to provide a specimen was not a lawful requirement and the offence of failing to provide a specimen under section 7(4) could not have been committed.

It followed that the subsequent arrest was wrongful. Although the court had a discretion to exclude relevant and admissible evidence which was unfairly obtained from an accused after the commission of an offence, the evidence provided by the specimen later obtained at the police station did not come within that category.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court so held in a reserved judgment allowing, in part, the defendant's appeal by way of case stated against his conviction by the Gwent Justices of driving a motor vehicle with a breath alcohol level exceeding the prescribed limit contrary to section 6(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Act 1972, as substituted, and failing to provide a speciment of breath contrary to section 7(4) of the 1972 Act.

On May 8, 1983 Leslie Fox of Penrhos, near Raglan, was the driver of a motor vehicle when it met with an accident. There was a passenger in the vehicle. No other person and no other vehicle was involved in the accident.

When the police officers arrived at the scene they found that the defendant and his passenger had left. The justices found that the officers had no information about the defendant or his passenger.

The officers then went directly to the defendant's house and knocked. The door was shut but not locked. There was no response to the knock but hearing voices within, the officers entered the house and required the defendant to provide a speciment for a breath test. He refused.

He was arrested and taken to a police station where he was required to provide specimens of breath. A specimen contained 57 microgrammes of alcohol in 100 millilitres of breath, 22 microgrammes above the prescribed limit.

Mr Peter A. Jones for the defendant; Mr Gavyn Arthur for the prosecutor.

MR JUSTICE MANN, delivering the judgment of the court, said in dealing with the offence of having failed without reasonable excuse to provide a specimen of breath, that if the officers had any power to enter the defendant's house without his consent it could have been derived only from section 7(6), but on the facts as found the officers could not have had reasonable cause to suspect that the accident had involved injury to another person in that they had no information about the passenger's condition.

Accordingly section 7(6) had no application and the police officers were trespassers. In the circumstances the requirement for a specimen was not a lawful requirement.

His Lordship referred to *Morris v Beardmore* ([1981] AC 446) and in particular to the speech of Lord Diplock at p455. That decision and the speech concerned the legislation which was superseded on May 6, 1983 but they applied equally to the present legislation. The conviction under section 7(4) must be quashed.

In considering whether the justices should have excluded the evidence of the proportion of alcohol in a specimen of breath supplied by the defendant at the police station in response to a requirement under section 8(1) because it was unfairly obtained, the unfairness being that the requirement under section 8(1) had to be made at a police station and the defendant was at the police station solely because he had been wrongfully arrested, his Lordship, having reviewed the authorities, said that a trial judge had a discretion to exclude relevant and admissible evidence which was unfairly obtained from an accused and that discretion was possessed also by the justices. The justices in the present case had a discretion to exclude evidence unfairly obtained from the defendant.

The evidence obtained from the defendant was a specimen of breath which he was required to provide by a police officer who was investigating whether the defendant had committed an offence under section 6. It was not suggested that the officer was not entitled to make the requirement which he did or that the statutory warning under section 8(8) had not been given.

The specimen was obtained without inducement, threat, trick or other impropriety. The historic fact that the defendant was at the police station because of a wrongful arrest, which might be the subject of a civil remedy, did not bear upon the question of whether the specimen was unfairly obtained.

The conviction under section 6 must stand.

Lord Justice Robert Goff agreed.

Solicitors: Gabb & Co, Abergavenny; Mr Michael L. Boland, Cwmbran.



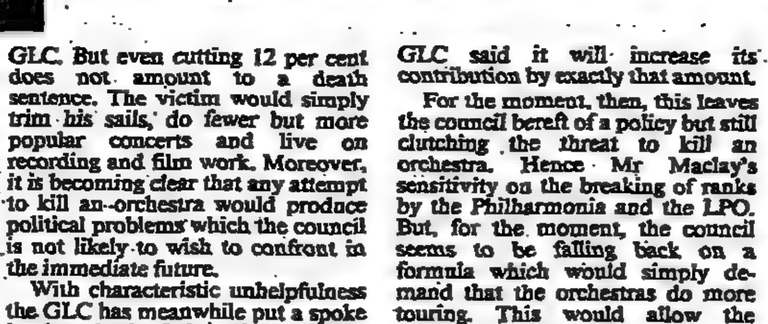
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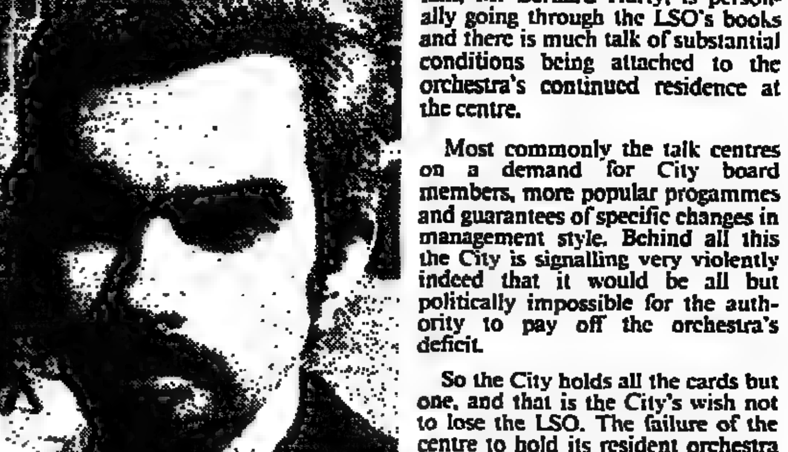
Tension among London's independent orchestras has risen still further over Arts Council plans to apportion them to the South Bank, the Barbican and the regions. But the Barbican, for all its problems, may suddenly seem more desirable, as **Bryan Appleyard** discovers

Playing the piper





Christopher Bishop: found agreement that the Philharmonia and LPO should be permanent residents on the South Bank



Ian Maclay: received contrary assurances, and understandably sensitive about implied threat to the Royal Philharmonic

On May 11 officers of the Arts Council met, among others, Christopher Bishop, manager of the Philharmonia Orchestra. The Arts Council side included Sir William Rees-Mogg, chairman, Luke Rittner, secretary general, and Tony Field, at that stage finance director, so it was a meeting that carried some weight. They told Bishop that they approved of his idea that the Philharmonia and the London Philharmonic should become permanent resident orchestras on the South Bank, and implied that they would work to that end.

Some time later Ian Maclay, manager of the Royal Philharmonic, discovered the suggestion had been made. He was furious, but sought and received some assurances that it was hardly likely to happen. On the one hand the council appears to have reassured Maclay, on the other it appears to have agreed with Bishop.

In the fraught and unpredictable world of the London orchestras such a breaking of ranks may be expected once in a while. But this one is serious. It comes at a time when just about every other aspect of orchestral life in London seems to be threatened with *radical change*. The Arts Council, the Greater London Council and the City, the three paymasters of the four orchestras, are all in a state of flux. And meanwile the Arts Council has confused the issues even further by attempting to persuade one of the bands to move to Nottingham as part of its regional devolution policy.

This last proposal appeared in March in the council's strategy document *The Glory of the Garden*, now known with steadily diminishing affection as the "The Seed Catalogue", but it is already unofficially a seed unlikely to germinate. None of the orchestras wants to go and Nottingham is not prepared to share the cost. This leaves the council *in* a *quandary*. The threat in the document was that if an orchestra was not prepared to decamp then it would "take whatever steps may be necessary" to cut the number of London orchestras by one.

It is unlikely to be capable of such a step. Currently Arts Council money accounts for only about 6 per cent of the orchestras' revenues, although this will *rise* to around 12 per cent once it takes over the arts funding now carried out by the GLC. But even cutting 12 per cent does not amount to a death sentence. The victim would simply trim *his* sails, do *fewer* but more popular concerts and live on recording and film work. Moreover, *it is becoming clear* that any attempt to kill an orchestra would produce political problems which the council is not likely to wish to confront in the *immediate* future.

With characteristic unhelpfulness the GLC has meanwhile put a spoke in the wheel of the other relevant half of the council's music strategy. The council said it would cut subsidies for concerts in London by the orchestras by £280,000 (35 per cent) next year in order to reduce the total number of performances. The *GLC* said it will increase its contribution by exactly that amount.

For the moment, then, this leaves the council bereft of a policy but still clutching the threat to kill an orchestra. Hence Mr Maclay's sensitivity on the breaking of ranks by the *Philharmonia* and the LPO. But, for the moment, the council seems to be falling back on a formula which would simply demand that the orchestras do more touring. This would allow the council to save some face without too much additional alienation of the orchestras. But the managers remain wary. The compromise is impossible to assess since it is unclear how ferociously Rittner and Sir William remain committed to the fine print of the devolution strategy.

There is, too, the matter of the future of the South Bank. It is now clear that the Arts Council will take over the GLC funding when the authority is abolished, but there is as yet no suggestion how the South Bank operation will be run. With orchestras already taking bookings well into 1986 it is a question which the managers want answered as soon as possible, not least because of the continuing third uncertainty – the future arrangements at the Barbican.

This is the final unknown with which the orchestras have to cope. The London Symphony Orchestra's initial three-year contractual period as residents in the centre ends in December. There have been dreadful problems, the most pressing of which is the LSO's steadily mounting deficit, now in the region of £500,000. But this year its position has been strengthened by a reorganization of its concert schedules and the refusal of the London Orchestral Concerts Board to provide subsidy for any other orchestra to play at the Barbican.

So the LSO has to look to its relationships with the City, which has taken on half the funding burden and is the only one of its paymasters likely to be able to do anything at all about the deficit. The public face put on these talks with the City is that they are going well with cooperation on all sides. The truth is that the City has got tough. The Chamberlain, Mr Bernard Harty, is personally going through the LSO's books and there is much talk of substantial conditions being attached to the orchestra's continued residence at the centre.

Most commonly the talk centres on a demand for City board members, more popular progammes and guarantees of specific changes in management style. Behind all this the City is signalling very violently indeed that it would be all but politically impossible for the authority to pay off the orchestra's deficit.

So the City holds all the cards but one, and that is the City's wish not to lose the LSO. The failure of the centre to hold its resident orchestra would be a significant blow to their image. Even so it has become clear that the City may be prepared to accept the loss of face involved in the departure of the LSO. "They had better not overplay that particular card", commented one City councillor.

Meanwhile Peter Hemmings, the manager of the LSO, is now certain to leave with the expiry of his contract at the end of this year, and the tension at the talks, now largely conducted with the orchestra's chairman Anthony Camden, is mounting. The other orchestras now have to ask themselves if they might bid for the LSO's privileged – and more highly subsidized – role as Barbican resident. Under normal circumstances, after the LSO's experience, the answer would be no. In the present climate the Barbican may have attractions as a safe haven.

Theatre

Ghoulish guests

The Spanish Tragedy
Lyttelton

Michael Bogdanov's staging of *The Spanish Tragedy*, like his *Lorenzaccio* and *The Mayor of Zalamea* at the National in previous seasons, is the kind of production I only dreamed of seeing when I read the plays at university. Serious theatre-lovers in America expect to see much of the Shakespeare canon, as well as Shaw, Ibsen and Chekhov. But Kyd, de Musset, Calderon? Rarely even in school productions, almost never in professional. That is one reason why we gratefully queue up at the National and RSC every summer.

Another reason is the hope, often fulfilled, that the production will be exceptional and will resurrect a neglected play. Today's youngsters may seek thrills in electronic gadgets, but some might discover the real sensation of watching a musty old script brought to life in performance and inwardly shouting "It works!".

Mr Bogdanov's *Spanish Tragedy* works like a Hallowe'en party where some of the guests turn out to be real ghouls. It is lots of fun and titillatingly spooky. Chris Dyer's eerie lighting and Henry Brown's chilling metallic music introduce a hideous sculpted death-figure and the grisly looking characters of a bloody soldier and Revenge. The Spanish warrior wants vengeance for his death at war with Portugal, and Revenge gradually delivers it by destroying almost everyone the soldier loved or hated. The final curtain has as many corpses as *Hamlet* but no grace-note of a Fortinbras – the houses of both Spain and Portugal are decimated.

Scholars argue over whether Thomas Kyd's play is the first revenge tragedy (its date is uncertain) but, first or umpteenth, it is stageworthy. In the stellar role of Hieronimono, the wronged father who brings off the final catastrophe and whose penultimate act is biting off and spitting out his own tongue, Michael Bryant keeps the balance between the piece's melodrama and tragedy. He wraps the huge part around him like a sable cape, swirling seamlessly from emotion to emotion. Within two lines, he can say "revenge" in dark guttural tones and turn grieved and broken on the word "wounded".



Michael Bryant in *The Spanish Tragedy*: perfect balance

Among the fine supporting cast, Miranda Foster shines as a regal and ardent beauty, while as her villainous brother Stephan Brennan is prepping snakily for Schiller's infamous Duke of Alba in *Don Carlos*. Paul Stewart and Bev Willis make able apprentice monsters.

Besides Michael Bryant, the stars of the event are Bogdanov and his designer, Chris Dyer. Using the metaphor of the world as a torture chamber, they clear the stage of all but a few pieces of furniture and hang the back wall with bars and chains suggesting torture instruments. From a movable platform further down-stage characters are hung right-side-up and upside-down with ropes or chains, and the hideous, deathly sculpted figure opens to reveal a horrid surprise.

Spaniards are separated from Portuguese by garbing the former mostly in black and the latter in brown, with enough touches of green, purple, red, gold and white to keep the stage looking sombre but not drab. Though I did not see this production in its earlier incarnation at the Cottesloe, I think the transfer wise, not only because *The Spanish Tragedy* fills the Lyttelton grandly, but also because so many more people will have a chance to enjoy it now.

Holly Hill

Back to Methuselah
Shaw

When last staged at the National in 1969, Shaw's "metabiological pentateuch" got very bruised in the collision between a 1920s version of the future and its realization by modern design. Bill Pryde's imaginative, and highly enjoyable, Cambridge Theatre Company production (in London until June 30 on the way to Oxford, Preston and Cambridge) dispenses with all that and displaces Shaw's pageant of mankind from the Garden of Eden to 30,000 years hence in Shaw's own intellectual world.

The audience files in to discover what might be a perfect Edwardian church hall – Poppy Mitchell's observantly detailed set hardly seems like a cheap option – with intelligent-looking, un-West-Endy actors of the period greeting each other and taking their places, the men removing their collars, shoes and socks for a runthrough on the bare boards. Heralded by a destructive clatter, in rushes Shaw himself to introduce his ideas in shapely phrases from his Preface (and his 1944 Postscript), instructing the cast and setting us on the right lines.

How can it work? But it does. Seeing the Serpent (Dona Croll) curl up on the floor in a long governess skirt, my heart sank. But, unlike the recent Manchester Royal Exchange *Hamlet*, this verbal piece lives more brightly than ever when handed over to the world of the imagination. Intelligently cut to make two evenings totalling five hours, there remains a strong script that an expert cast seizes on with zest. It raises wild hopes that the Pryde/CTC connexion will give the Shaw Theatre a string of productions worthy of its name.

Of course, Shaw's vision of a longer-lived, wiser mankind defying the doom of natural selection smells musty, his excursions into irrelevance or facetiousness are irritating and his preoccupation with war's insanity is clearly datable to the post-1914 era.

The second play bursts with heavy political satire of Lloyd George and Asquith, marginally relevant and more redolent of playing to the gallery. And the further it goes into the future, with its easy jokes and its thirty-first century juveniles reverting to Grecian purity, the more absurd it becomes.

But the cast never lose conviction, nor style. Jerome Willis doubles a startlingly lifelike grey-bearded Shaw with the visionary, ex-clerical brother Barnabas of play 2 and the ill-fated short-liver of play 4; Ian Gelder gives a silly-ass 1920 vicar the charm of Richard Briers before mellowing into his 283-year-old self, bored with attending his own funeral.

Susan Brown, as an equally ageless parlourmaid - turned sagacious cabinet minister, makes a moment's magic as she turns her eyes on an innocent youngster and delivers Lilith's great monologue with melting grace. And Miss Croll's seductive Serpent, never taking its eyes off the audience, and her semi-undressed Negress discovered on television in 3,000 AD, are much more delicious than her recent Berinthia in the Hammersmith *Relapse*. Shaw's hope may no longer convince us; but contact with a man of vision at least reminds us that there can be such a thing.

Anthony Masters

Television

Machine over man

Sir Clive Sinclair believes that man is only fundamentally different from a machine if one believes in the soul: Sir Clive does not. Coming from a man who begat the first pocket calculator, the first digital watch, the first flat screen pocket television and who is promising us an electric car shortly, that may have been a shaker for those of us who feel that, however smart the gadget, man has a God-given edge.

Sir Clive despatched the soul in the first of a new series of The Levin Interviews on BBC2 last night. Mr Levin almost lost his breath but, Sir Clive's confidence coming late in a programme that focused more on computers than on his own intriguing personalty, managed to conclude.

Earlier, he had been horrified by parts of Sir Clive's vision of the not-too-distant future when, it appears, we might not be the most intelligent species on earth.

He sees the fifth generation of computers as likely to supplant us. They will beget each other to be creative and imaginative and will need us like they need a hole in their micro-chips or whatever.

They could be Frankenstein monsters, he admitted to Mr Levin. We had to consider the consequences now. Presumably that meant using our own grey matter – and the wiring of computers that have not yet got above themselves. The good news was that those "dark, satanic mills" are gone and, just as the industrial revolution relieved our muscles, so these clever-clogs will relieve our minds.

Mr Levin was concerned about whether we would have jobs. It seems we will. Unemployment, said Sir Clive, who has a commercial as well as a philosophical interest in computers, would continue into the Nineties and then decline. Our future appears to be in the service industries.

We needed, he said, to educate people to develop their tastes; education had to change from inculcating knowledge to inculcating desires. Mr Levin was doubtful about improving taste. He asked if the new machines would be able to write sonnets.

If they could not, he said hopefully, there would surely be a gulf between man and machine. But Sir Clive's vision leaps across gulfs. He is a man, he admitted, with no material needs to fulfil; he looks forward only to seeing artificial intelligence alive and well. Upon my soul, I do not.

BBC1's **Omnibus** returned unobtrusively to consider George Abbott as its main item. He is 96, often referred to as "Mister Broadway" but otherwise always as Mr Abbott, and is currently reviving one of his biggest hits, *On Your Toes*, in the West End. The best part of the programme showed him doing the reviving. For the rest there was too much film and not enough Mr Abbott.

Dennis Hackett

PUBLISHING

Writing about unification

Historically, members of the Society of Authors are Gentlemen (although many of them are Ladies) and members of the Writers' Guild are Players. The committees of the two organizations have recently formally agreed to work more closely together "on all matters affecting the profession of authorship".

Publishers are breathing audible sighs of relief that the two bodies have not yet fully merged. When they do so, within the next year or two, the one book writers' union will be as powerful in publishing as is the Guild in television. Not least of the practical problems is whether Mark Le Fanu, the discreet and effective lawyer who runs the Society, or the more voluble and ambitious Walter Jeffrey of the Guild should be general secretary of the new joint organization, and what it should be called.

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British thriller writers feature among the winners of the Mystery Writers of America's thirty-eighth annual Edgar Allan Poe Awards, known not as Poes but as Edgars. The Grand Master Award for lifetime achievement has gone to John le Carré, who does not regard himself as a thriller writer, and Ruth Rendell has won the prize for the year's best short story. A special Edgar was given to Richard Lancelyn Green and John Michael Gibson for *A Bibliography of A. Conan Doyle*.

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Belgium 6, Holland 5, Denmark 22, France 7, Italy 2, Ireland 0, Luxembourg 6, United Kingdom 0, Germany 7: not depressing sports results but the rates of Value Added Tax levied on books and magazines in the EEC. For reasons of both literacy and literature it is surely essential that the British Isles should remain at the bottom, the zero end, of this particular league table.

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The Tony Godwin Award was established some years ago as a memorial to the one-time bookseller and, subsequently, dynamic chief editor of Penguin Books who died in exile in New York. It is given in alternate years to a young British or American editor who has not previously spent time working in the other country and who is regarded by the judges – publishers, agents and writers – as being particularly promising. The latest recipient, Pat Mulcahy of the Viking Press in New York, is currently spending her six weeks being indoctrinated into the mystique of British publishing at Heinemann. The winner of the award decides in which publishing house he or she wishes to work.

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Last year the Irish Censorship Board's office spent £23,000 in banning a total of 21 books. Prime Minister Garret FitzGerald confided at last month's "Top of the Irish" authors' promotion campaign that perhaps the money might have been spent more sensibly.

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Instead of that cottage in East Anglia, how about buying a bookshop? One is for sale in a Lincolnshire market town – freehold property and shop as a going concern; limited competition and excellent potential for growth and expansion – with a *turnover* of approximately £12,000 per annum. Price? £25,000 or nearest offer. It is not only authors who do not always make money out of books.

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Lord Weidenfeld's investment in Mick Jagger's autobiography written with (or by) John Ryle is further weakened by the news that the *News of the World* has, for £50,000, purchased first serial rights in the untitled, as yet unfinished, book by Mrs Mick Jagger, Gerry Hall. British publishers are eager to sign up the volume rights. In America, Simon & Schuster will publish.

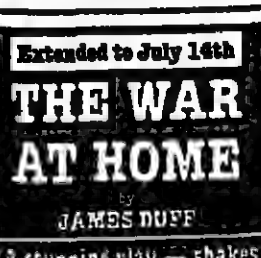
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The U.S. trade journal *Publishers Weekly* reports that Barbara Cartland, "relative of real-life Princess Diana", is herself "venturing into princess territory with her first book for children, *Princess to the Rescue*", to be published by Franklin Watts. The book, intriguingly, will have pop-up illustrations.

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SPECTRUM

With McVicar in the underworld

Illustration by Paul Cox

John McVicar first met sociologist Laurie Taylor at Durham jail in 1968 where McVicar, one time armed robber and prison escapee, was studying sociology. On his first night on parole in London he took Taylor for an educational trip round his old haunts



"Come on", John said, "I'll show you what a spieler looks like." He turned into a doorway of a house with a nameplate which advertised 'Osteopathic Services': up two flights of stairs, and there was the Newmarket Sporting Club.

Cigar smoke hung in the air, newspapers lay around on tables and in the corner of the room about fifteen men were absorbed in a noisy game pof cards. Only about six actually seemed to be playing: the rest were either spectators or waiting for their turn to get in on the action. It was a difficult game to follow, with sudden moments of stillness followed by quick and noisy flurries during which cards were taken and discarded with a speed which suggested more a boisterous session of snap or strip-jack-naked than any game of skill. "Kalooki", explained John, adding rather unhelpfully, "a sort of Jewish gin rummy."

It was difficult to know whether to be more surprised by the size of the pile of £10 notes in the kitty in the centre of the table, or by the fact that several of these high-rollers, while evidently playing for Monte Carlo stakes, were pulling on mugs of tea and casually munching bacon sandwiches (evidently kalooki was not that Jewish) as hundred of pounds sped backwards and forwards between them.

For all the bacon butties and chipped mugs, these were clearly successful men. Sharply cut suits and silk shirts. Rolls or 'wedges' of folded money which, when not on display, were carried in the back pocket. Gold jewellery was much in evidence: chunky signet rings and fat gold watches.

We stood well celar of the circle, but John had already been greeted by a couple of people who'd detached them selves from the edge of the action. "Well done, John. Good to see you." No mention of prison or comments about how long he'd been out or what he was going to do.

"All criminals", said John quietly during a kalooki flurry. "All professional criminals". He went through them for my benefit.

Over on the right was a con man and sitting next door where we went to pick up tea and our own bacon sandwiches was a couple who were "at the heavy" (robbers). Later a burglar came in and someone John described as an "all purpose thief". In fact, everyone in the place except John and myself seemed to be working criminals.

We stayed around for an hour or so, drinking tea in the back room, while members drifted in from time to time to say hello – or just to give John a firm touch on the shoulders as they passed – a sort of re-entry ritual which seemed the more effective because of its understatement.

Although John didn't give me any figure for himself, I learnt later that it is not uncommon for returning villains to pick up three or four thousand pounds from club well-wishers in the days immediately following their release. That sort of money, coupled with the warmth and density of the welcome-home ceremony I'd been witnessing, suggested that ordinary hostel or release schemes designed to keep the professional criminal on the straight and narrow were likely to have a somewhat marginal impact. Finding yourself in this sort of club again after years inside wasn't drifting into evil ways, or mixing with bad company, or yielding to temptations. It was coming home.

Although John described him as a successful robber and having had just as many years at the game, Derek had no luxury flat and certainly no expensive ornaments to show for it. Quite the opposite. He lived in a small council flat in Stoke Newington. On the third floor of a five-storey block. "Excitement?" he said, when I asked him. "It never occurred to me. I suppose I could have got the money other ways. But to me it was just like going to work, but easier. I've been to work with people, you know, that like the excitement."

"But did you take pleasure in it? I mean was there . . .?"

"There was no pleasure, no."

"Well, was it a status thing? An ego thing? I mean did you look at other people who weren't prepared to take that kind of risk and think . . . ?"

He was shaking his head as I was talking. Sitting across from me. Medium height, sallow, matter of fact, domestic.

"No. I suppose, though, you could say it's a bit like a tightrope walker. A bit like that. You wouldn't get up there if you didn't think you were going to get to the other end, even though in your heart you know that one day you'll fall off." He seemed mildly embarrassed by this flight of fancy.

"But why did you stick at it? You could have done something else, couldn't you?"

He thought about it for a minute.

"Well, the beauty of it is . . . . The beauty of it is, you can go and get it, and then go and have a holiday somewhere, and then, you know, come back. That lot's gone, but it doesn't matter cos you can go out and get some more, can't you? But, you know, with a weekly wage, it's just not possible is it?"

Derek was matter of fact even about grassing. No, he couldn't recall any moments when he'd got near to doing it. He had no stories to tell of temptation resisted. I didn't need to press the point; John did it for me.

"Come on, Derek, why is there so much now? How d'you explain Leroy Davies, Germain, Smalls?"

"I think a lot of it is people who've done a lot of time. They can't face it any more. A lot of them have been very successful: they've got a lot of money and don't want to lose it by going away. So when they get into their forties and the police threaten them with 15 years, 20 years or whatever, they just can't face it."

But this wouldn't do for John. I wasn't the only person he'd spoken to at length about *omerta* – about that very special loyalty which robbers had to each other. And now here was one of those very beings suggesting that such an essential attribute could be subverted by what looked remarkably like a deterrent penal policy. Hand out 15 or 20 years for armed robbery and you'd have every villain in the business over 40 writing out a list of their accomplices and handing it to the nearest policeman.

"Yes, Derek. But why now more than before?"

"I think it started with the Richardsons (Charlie and Eddie). They were grassed. And the Kray twins. And nothing was done to anybody. You know, like it's in the back of people's minds that nothing, nothing has happened to the people who grassed the Krays. And look who they are!"

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Slowly, I was beginning to change my view of Derek. I now felt that there was a peculiar amorality abut his view which perhaps made him even more frightening than others, more histrionic.

"You see, John, years ago, if you was a grass, you got cut. And that was good. Cos you knew who was a grass. Most of the people with big cuts on their faces you knew were grasses. You didn't work with them. That's the trouble today. People's morals have changed. No grass has been hurt enough." I decided to pursue Derek's remarkably cavalier view of 'cutting' people, by asking him how he felt about all the other violence of his trade. He looked surprised I'd mentioned it.

"More people used to get hurt years ago. When the police were less active. For a start, you'd be working eight-handed, instead of four or five as nowadays, and it was a cosh game. Hitting people over the head to make them behave. And as it was coshes, the other side would be prepared to have a go – perhaps even carry their own coshes to retaliate with. That meant a stand-up row in which people got battered.

"See, if a firm sent wages-clerks to collect wages, they'd get a couple of beefy boys from the warehouse to go with them as minders. They might have given them a couple of extra quid and I suppose they'd be thinking: 'This is handy' – until someone coshed 'em. And you had to do 'em because it never did any good just threatening them, like, saying 'Give us the money'. Cos they wouldn't hand it over. When we started using guns, though, we used to give them the orders to hand over the money and they did. Oh yes, violence has got much less since we started using guns."

"Really?" I managed.

"Oh yes. When it's guns, you might only be firing rice or budgie seed, but it still makes a bang and brings a few lights down; has an effect. Everyone hits the floor, and you can just jump over the counter and empty the tills."

Although Derek's way of talking flattened out the violence, or threat of violence, involved in any robbery, this wasn't the first time I'd heard about the peculiar dialectic between banking-practices and armed robbery. In most cases it was the villains who led the way. Once guns became a regular feature of the bank raids, allowing a gang to terrorize the bank staff into such a state of submission that the money could simply be taken from the tills, something had to be done to block the way. In the late sixties, the banks, amid much clamour about the loss of personal contact with the customers, put up screens along the counters.

"What did you do then?" I wanted to know.

"Then you went through the doors: they'd have a side-door inside leading to the back, so you just, with a sledgehammer, smashed the door straight in. But then they got clever to that and had doors which opened outwards only, so you couldn't smash them in."

"So, then?"

"Well you switch to the next opening don't you. The outside window. On the wall behind the screen. In through there. And then out again. And what was good was that now they'd put the screen up, they'd put money back in the tills again. About eight grand minimum, wasn't it John?"

"But presumably they've now blocked up the windows?"

"Oh yeah. But as they made things too hard in the banks, we went to the vans instead. Guards were coming in delivering a hundred grand – across the pavement – in four lifts."

"Why d'you give up, Derek?"

Derek was predictably undramatic. "It became just another thing. Just like, well, tomorrow we're going to do that. And just go and do it. I used to stop and think about that, you know. I don't know if you know Billy Chester?

"I remember him saying to me one day, he said, like, as we were going to work, all tooled up, he said: 'We're doing this as though we're going about a legitimate job. Going to the office. Matter of fact'. And we were."

In the Underworld *by Laurie Taylor, is published by Basil Blackwell on June 28, price £7.95.*

TOMORROW

The world of the daylight Hoisters



"I suppose", I said to John, as we made our way back from the Professional Artists', about three weeks after our first meeting, "they're not all that different to accountants or stockbrokers. I can see what you mean about it being a job to them. They get up in the morning, or at least in the afternoon, and go to work. Keep their eyes open. Look for openings. And I suppose just like other professional groups they pull together their own set of attitudes and ideas about what's right and wrong, about how to have a good time, how to treat their families and kids, how to look after other people who're in the same game."

It was a prepared speech. I left out the bits that I didn't think John would like to hear. It was all very well for me to talk about crime as an occupation like any other, but I also knew that the well-dressed men jiggling ice in their double Bacardis and triple vodkas in the Club had, not long previously, been out on the streets, cheating and stealing, selling drugs and threatening violence. Whenever they'd been working, they'd had to go about it surreptitiously with forged papers or keys, at night or in disguise. There would nearly always have been a victim, not necessarily left bleeding in the gutter, but often left injured or distressed.

But I kept quiet about all that. I could come back to the anti-social and immoral aspects of it all. At the moment I just wanted to find out how successful professional criminals went about their business, how they organized particular 'coups', learnt their techniques, integrated their work with home and family, dealt with long term imprisonment. Most of all, I wanted to understand why it had such a continuing appeal for those who in every way seemed a million miles from the standard picture of the dull-witted persistent offender.

"John?" We were back now at my flat in Battersea – sitting across the kitchen table from each other and drinking cups of tea from separate pots. (John insisted upon making his own.) "John. How would it be if you set up some interviews with top villains and I came along and recorded them, and then we got together and wrote something which could give a different perspective from some of the other books on professional crime? We could call it, say, The Subculture of Professional Crime."

I'd rehearsed that as well, but it seemed to take less time then I'd planned. John nodded his head slowly and drank some more of the brown sludge he liked to call 'proper tea'. "We'll try", he said. "But you've got the promise something." I was poised to agree to anything. No discussion of John's own criminality? Absolute confidentiality when real crimes were mentioned? Complete anonymity for all the interviewees? We shouldn't have too much difficulty in agreeing. We were both sociologists.

"Of course. Of course."

"Then, please, Laurie, will you promise never again to use that word "subculture"?

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That item appeared on November 6, 1981 and caused no fuss at the time. Nor, indeed, did the other games I suggested, such as Horseracing and Birth, Marriage and Death, so it is difficult to account for the surprise now.

The management of *The Times*, who acted on my idea after a mere three years, have of course made secret representations to me to peer into my crystal ball and come up with some suggestions for 1987. As I withhold nothing from my readers, I can tell you that I have been toying with an idea which would need the assistance of Philip Howard. Once a week he would write an article introducing an *entirely new word* to the English language, which the readers of *The Times* would then use constantly in their conversation for the next week until it was firmly lodged in the public mind. The winner would be the first reader to hear one of these words used on the BBC.

Again, Philip Howard tells me that even the faintest chance of a misprint ruins this idea. What, he says, if the new word was spelt wrong? We would then have half a million *Times* readers going around all misusing the same word. The prospect horrifies his delicate soul. In vain do I point out that as it is a completely new word, it wouldn't matter in the least.

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The management here (I said I had no secrets from my readers) have raised two objections to this otherwise foolproof idea. Firstly, they said, there is an unmistakable element of strip-tease in the way the game is played. This objection I met by saying that that was the whole idea.

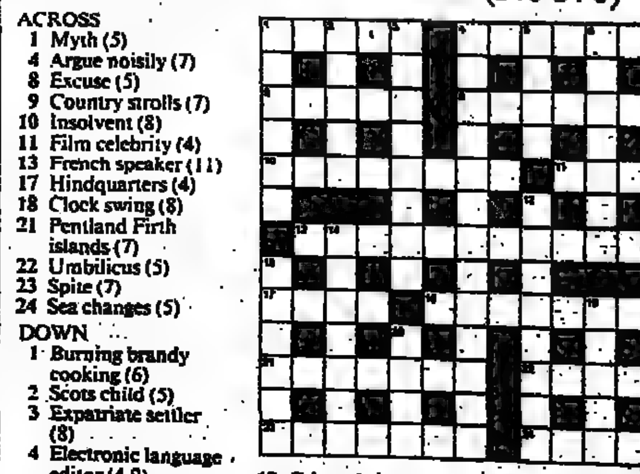
Satisfied on this point, they then said that the impact of human skin might be too much for many readers more used to pictures of war atrocities and traffic disasters, and the other gentler topics which appear in newspapers. And what about those readers too stupid to be able to do the crossword, or too clever to bother to do so?

The latter problem was easily solved. Starting in 1987 we will print the solution on the same day as the crossword, so that impatient readers can fill it in immediately. As for the more delicate objection, we have reached a compromise. The daily beauty will be a classic nude painting chosen personally by Sir Roy Strong. What possible objection could there be to this?

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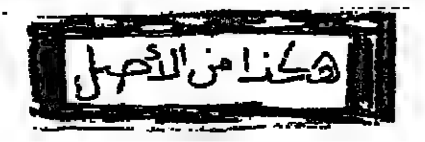
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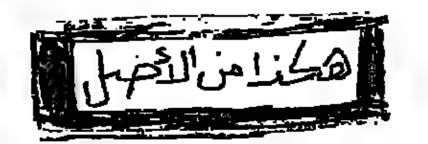


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17 Hindquarters (4)
18 Clock swing (8)
21 Pentland Firth islands (7)
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23 Spite (7)
24 Sea changes (5)

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1 Burning brandy cooking (6)
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4 Electronic language editor (4,9)
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6 Solidifying powder (7)
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MONDAY PAGE

PENNY PERRICK

The ugly face of corporate power



Things, both good and bad, happened to Mary Cunningham (the author of *Powerplay. What really happened at Bendix**) because she was slim and pretty and had cascades of pale blonde hair. Her tragedy was to believe that her lovely appearance would not shape her life as much as her equally lovely mind. Her further tragedy was that she thought people appreciated her inner self when it was her outer self that was knocking them for six.

Well, maybe she had a little inkling about that. As a final year student at the Harvard Business School, she noticed that whenever a recruiting banker came down, she was seated next to him at dinner, "because I had what people described as wholesome good looks". Yet it didn't occur to her, as she asked him cutesy-poo question such as: "Do you feel investment bankers spend enough time thinking about their responsibility to society at large?", that, had she been unwholesome looking and male, the gentleman might have punched her on the nose.

When Bill Agee, the whiz-kid chairman of Bendix, twisted her arm to accept a job as his executive assistant, it never crossed her mind that he might have been smitten with more than her degree in moral philosophy, magna cum laude. It should have done though. At their very first interview he cut short her recital of her CV with, "Oh c'mon. Don't tell me that stuff. Talk to me about who you really are". Mary wasn't 17 years old either. She was 28, old enough never to trust a man who wore aviator glasses and murmured: "What you need now is to be mentored." A low trick on Agee's part but not as low as using Mary to show up the rest of his team of disgruntled second-rate executives. It's true that her mentor promoted her – "At 29, I was the youngest female corporate vice president of a Fortune 500 company in America" – but he used her horribly too. He made her act as psychoanalyst to his difficult daughter, sort his mail, field his calls. So even though she started work at 6.30 am, her weekends and evenings were never her own – "Mare, I really need you for this one, could you please cancel that".

And then the rumours started. First came the anonymous letters to members of the Bendix board suggesting that Mary and Bill shared a relationship that went further than mentor and mentored. Next came the questions from the staff, the articles in the press and suddenly wholesome Mary was wearing labels like "shapely veep" and "femme fatale".

The very predictable outcome was that Mary was fired and Agee wasn't, at which point Mary wised up to real corporate life: "I was expendable. After all, I was just the girl". And what did her mentor do just when she really needed him: he cut her out of his existence, even to the point of refusing her the use of his cottage in the mountains where she wanted to go to heal her shattered spirit and bruised ego.

In all the best stories, and this is one of them, the bad guys finally get their come-uppance. Not long after his brutal treatment of Mary, Agee began to lose out in the power struggles at Bendix. Seedy and depressed, he came homing back to his former executive assistant and *this* time she was allowed into his mountain retreat – to shop and clean and cook for him while he sat around wondering why everone was turning against him.

Again, in all the best stories, there's a happy ending, and this is it. Mary Cunningham married Bill Agee and they set up a venture capital and strategy consulting company called Semper Enterprises. It may not be as romantic as the end of Cinderella but it's the best that everyone could do in the circumstances.

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Tomorrow:



Fashion looks at a new wave of interest in swimsuits

Anna Raeburn is an agony aunt to millions but her audience is unaware of her own private crises, writes **Gill Pyrah**

So you think you've got problems . . .

The caller's problem was sexual. Anna Raeburn and "the Doc" on London's Capital Radio were there to give precisely the advice the girl must have expected: "Enjoy what you've got. Talk to your partner about it. Anything two people both enjoy is 'normal' and if you're built that way, love, then that's the way it's going to be."

Anna's style is strident and uncompromising and often amounts to bad news for the shiftless or non-functioning half of a partnership. "If in doubt, kick him out" would be a useful precis of her advice. However, "advice" is a word she dismisses when talking of the work that has made her famous in the past decade.

She says: "Advice makes it sound as though I've the Delphic Oracle in one hand and a hot line to heaven in the other. I don't. I give opinions."

If she has to formulate her opinions as she talks – and on a radio phone-in, of course, she does – that does not stop her crashing over the Doc's quieter, trained line, seeming to butt in with "I think" whenever her microphone has been inactive for longer than 20 seconds.

A former colleague acknowledges Anna's need to be the centre of attention, her bitterness, her facility for pouncing on the most sensational aspect of a caller's tale to give her a professional advantage. It's a style she practises on and off air.

Sitting straight, her hands unfidgety but brown eyes wild with eagerness to get the record straight, she says: "It's horses for courses. I was always the girl who could tell the one in the typing pool what to do if her mother had a drink problem."

Her own mother has said she's been that way since she was six. 'Miss Information Taylor, I was", she says.

Nor must she wait to be asked: "When poor Princess Di was getting that wave of press – at first she was wonderful, then supposed to be making Charlie miserable, then anorexic – I wanted to write and say, 'Look, love, this happens to *everyone*'."

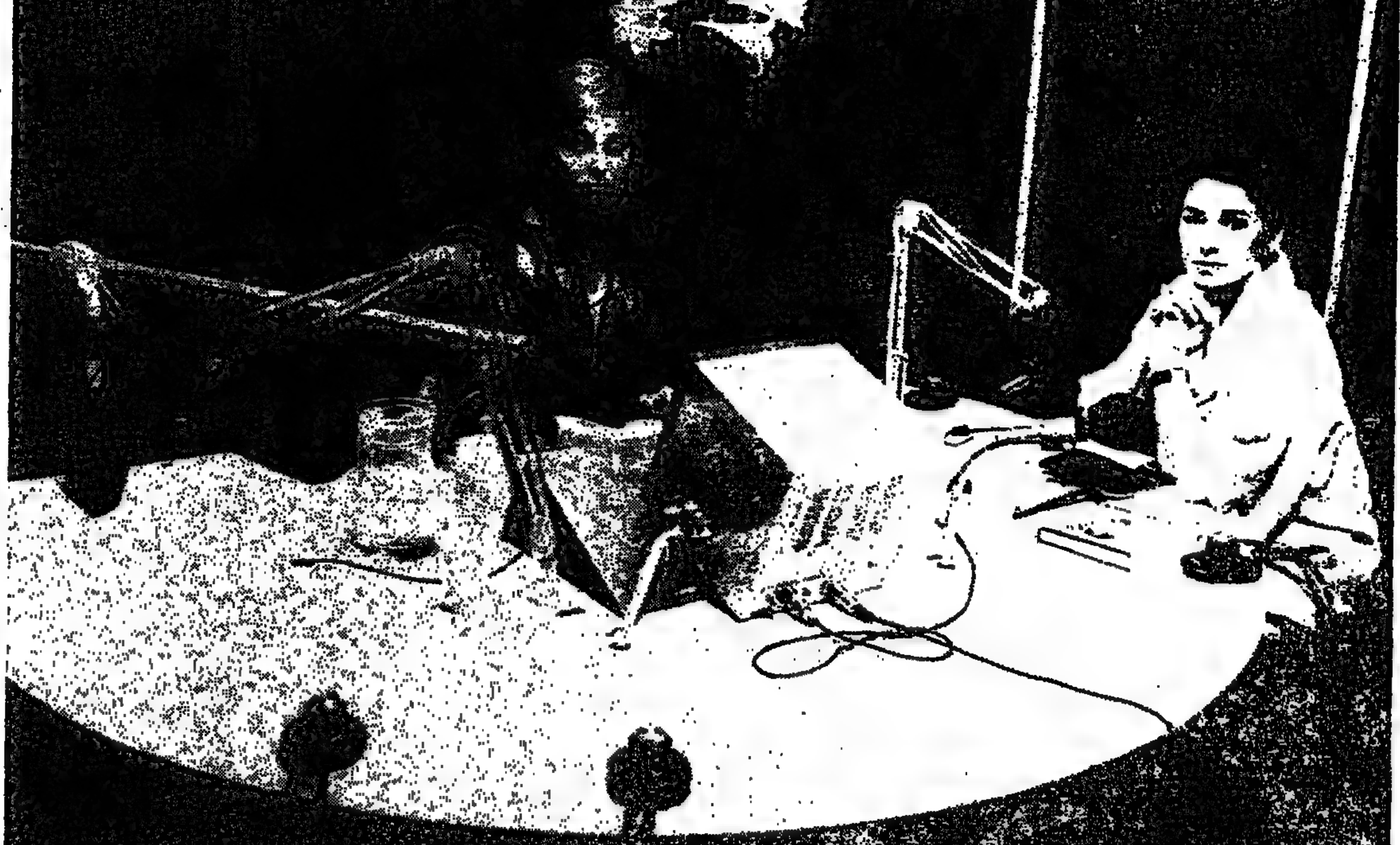
She started out as Sally Taylor. The Sally went to avoid confusion with a flatmate, the Taylor relinquished on her first marriage. She had lived in a middle-class household in Middlesbrough, born late to adored and admired schoolteacher parents, with an idolized sister almost 13 years her senior.

In her new autobiography, her early family memories are happy ones, though she remembers herself as a lonely, bookish child who, on page one, was already peering at her playmate, the mirror, rehearsing to be the person she wanted to be.

Anna discovered her Jewishness by acting the role of Anne Frank in a play as an adolescent and feeling an instant bond with the Jews she met through that performance. But her skinny dark looks, which include a streak of gipsy, led to taunts that she could not be her father's child, that she was a "nigger". The lad who offered that assessment got a broken nose.

She remembers how hard she tried to amuse those she liked. Years later, "in an abortive psychotherapeutic relationship", the therapist conjured up her happy family as dancing in a circle, with Anna a puppy on the outside, trying to break in. Although she did not understand what was going on at the time, she witnessed the pain of her whole family when her sister Lesley had a baby secretly which she had to give away. She shared their later anguish when Lesley's fiancé suddenly died.

Anna was determined to be an actress, though her parents insisted on her learning secretarial skills to supplement that ambition. Thousands leave home for capital cities every year and do their share of shop-assisting and clerical work, discard their virginity, live in tempered squalor and accept every invitation, looking for the route to the big time.



In the spotlight: Anna Raeburn reveals the sufferings of experience to LBC's Gill Pyrah – a little later she was solving other people's problems again.

At 19, Anna got to New York as an *au pair*, and hung out with other misfits and arty failures. She endured what must, at the time, have seemed interminable gynaecological problems. Sick, and no actress, she came home. Back in London, she did not tell her partner when she had their child aborted, counting this as "woman's work".

When she met film-maker Michael Raeburn, she was impressed by his intelligence, his commitment to his art, and the fact that he wanted to marry her. She makes no bones about the failure of that marriage. An "open marriage" was trendy, but it was not easy. She had her second abortion: The loss of that child still grieves her.

Talking about her life on LBC last week, she remembered what she told the examining doctor: "If I have this child I don't think I'll have the marriage to support it. And if I don't have the marriage to support it, I can't see the point of having the child." The marriage collapsed anyway.

Speaking as Capital's problem counsellor later in the evening, she sighed for the caller whose own abortion was recent and brought increasing anguish as the birthing date approached. Who could doubt that the compassion and shared emotion in Anna's voice were heartfelt?

Her theoretical training for counselling may be zero, although she has certainly done the practical side of the syllabus. It is an irony that her own life has been a mess for the greater part of the time she has been telling others how to live theirs. But she says: "I don't think that's unusual at all. I think if you lifted the roofs off most of the helping professions you would find a fair deal of confusion.

"Isn't the Biblical quote, 'Physician, heal thyself'? You usually try to set to rights in other people's lives what you can't set to rights in your own."

While married to Michael she applied for a job promoting *Forum*'s American edition. She and two other ambassadors for the sex magazine talked their way around a surprised America on the television and radio chat-show circuit.

Nevertheless, when she got back to England with this success under her tiny belt, it was insufficiently appreciated, to her mind. She was little more than a dogsbody on the magazine, editing the letters page. She applied for the vacancy on the highly respected *Woman* magazine as agony aunt. Ms Raeburn speaks with firm pride of getting that job, and of succeeding in it.

IPC might have worried that more conservative readers, trained by Evelyn Home for 37 years to count their blessings, would be alarmed by Anna Raeburn's "look after number one" style of solution. Not a bit of it. The time for that particular message had come, and Anna was the woman to preach it.

Her own practice is to excise from her life those whom she believes to have let her down – although she is generous in her praise and appreciation of her friends.

How does she assess herself at 40, with *Woman*, *Cosmopolitan* and the television sit-com *Agony* behind her? "It's as good as it should have been at 21. I've grown up . . . I was frightened of life. I went towards it with open arms, terrified at the same time that it would bite me. Now it's bitten me enough times I know that I can get out the TCP and the Elastoplast and cover up the cuts and go on."

With her second husband, Nick Lilley, there's at last a live child. "More importantly, a man", she adds. "Those are my priorities – a man, a home and a child. In that order."

Talking to Myself, by Anna Raeburn, is published by Elm Tree Books, £8.95.

Stephanie Calman goes to see a medium with a very unusual kind of chat show

Doris calls heaven and makes them happy

The posters heralding the arrival of "world-acclaimed medium Doris Stokes" gave the gloss of showbiz to something I had always thought of as very solemn and very private. I did not know seances could be conducted with 2,000 people eating popcorn in a concert hall.

That is not to say that the renowned author of *Voices In My Ear* – and *More Voices in My Ear* – was in the least glamorous. Nor was she eccentrically bescarved like an international Madame Arcati. The long dress aside, she looked exactly like someone you would expect to see behind the jam counter at a village jumble sale.

The compère, editor of *Psychic News*, announced that before the wonderful Doris came on, we would meet the first of several celebrities lineup for the evening. This was a man called Brendan Blake, who strode on in a green jacket like the steward of a rugby event, to render "I'll Walk Beside You" very vigorously to a discreet piano accompaniment.

He was then replaced by two armchairs and a flower arrangement – the better to create a comfy atmosphere – and the wonderful Doris, with curly grey hair and cosy expression, appeared to the crowd. Patting her lap maternally as she settled into a chair, she told some jokes to show that communicating with the spirits is not creepy.

"How many are afraid of death? Nothing to it, love!" she said cheerily, adding, with her idiosyncratic brand of humour: "I have a little prayer which goes, 'Dear God, if my card's up tonight, can I have a quick cerebral haemorrhage?' "

Several people laughed. Most of those in the audience had come, it seemed, not just with the hope of messages from their loved ones, but because they liked Doris's personal style.

And they treated her not with awe but familiarity, like the Gracie Fields of the psychic world. The easy mood may also have come from there being, in the packed hall, no more than a dozen men. Doris gave a look of concentration.

"Someone is asking for O'Keefe." A woman in the circle put up her hand, and a microphone was rushed to her side.

"Who's Jimmy?" said Doris.

"My son," said the woman, her voice already trembly.

"He's not been over long, has he love?"

"Three years, Doris."



"That's not long, love! See, there's only a little light there, and that means he hasn't been over long. Yes, he looks about three or four. He died of cancer, didn't he luvvy?"

"That's right Doris."

"Well, forget how you saw him last. He's not like that now. He's got all his curls back and he's a lovely little boy."

"Thank you, Doris."

Neither this tearful mother nor any of the other participants seem frustrated that those they had loved and lost spoke only to Doris and could be seen only by Doris. They accepted that it was due to a special kind of luck.

Spirits could be rather vague

Only one recipient was at all demanding – a girl in a velvet suit sitting near me.

"I've got an Albert John", said Doris, and the girl stood up. "He says, 'Albert – call me Bert.'"

"That's right", said the girl.

"He went very quickly", said Doris.

"He was ill for six months."

"Well, he went very quickly at the end, love. Who's Mary?"

"My mother-in-law. I'd like to ask *her* a few questions!"

"Mary says she's sorry. And Bert says be happy, because you will be."

"Could he tell me when?"

Apparently he couldn't. I was hoping very much that one of them would tell us what it's like there. Is it black or white or hung with Laura Ashley wallpaper? Do Dante and Homer sit discussing the narrative form over a few rounds of nectar before lunch? And are Moses and Darwin up there causing a fracas under the same silver lining?

"Someone's bought a new cooker", said Doris. "Do you know anything about that?" The woman she was asking did not know, but another later said she had bought a cooker just before Christmas, so Doris said she must have been the one the spirits meant. They could be rather vague.

In the interval I asked the girl in the velvet suit: "Have you ever met Doris Stokes before?"

"No", she said. "I've been trying to get in touch with Dad ever since he died, when I was very young. She knew he was called Albert, known as Bert." She had been to mediums before, and believed in God. "Does it make you feel better?", I asked. It did.

In the second half we met another celebrity, guitarist Bert Weedon, who concentrated hard and got in touch with his career.

He leered: "Here's a rather appropriate one for tonight – 'Ghost Riders In The Sky'. And how about 'I'm A Poor Little Lamb Who's Lost His Way'? Will you all be little sheep for me and sing along?"

Lots of the crowd duly baa'ed to the beat as directed, and then Doris came back with the armchairs, flower arrangement and more comfort.

The communications, as before, were just like those obligatory chats you have with relatives on the phone at Christmas. For believers, Doris was the omnipotent operator, holding all the lines. The way she leaned to one side to hear the spirits even suggested an invisible phone – portable, but plugged into the Beyond.

It was in theory a most impressive system. It is just that the Beyond is more than usually plagued by crossed lines.

JAPANESE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY IN THE U.K.

SILVER JUBILEE

The Japanese Chamber of Commerce in London was established on 14th July, 1959, by 34 Japanese companies with offices in London. This was later developed into the Japanese Chamber of Commerce and Industry in the United Kingdom and this year marks its Silver Jubilee.

When it was founded Japan was still in its developing stage and the younger brother of Europe in terms of its economic influence. Trade between the U.K. and Japan was well balanced and the activity of Japanese companies in the U.K. was in its initial stage. Today, after 25 years in operation, the Japanese Chamber of Commerce and Industry in the U.K. has about 250 companies as its members and is very energetic in promoting understanding between the U.K. and Japan. It has been providing occasions for contact of Japanese businesses with the U.K. Government, business and social organisations. It has been instrumental in holding lecture meetings, industrial study tours to various districts in the U.K., establishing organisations or task forces to promote U.K. export to Japan, and also in establishing the Anglo Japanese Industrial Co-operation Committee which is very active in inviting Japanese investment in this country.

As you will see, our activities have undergone a change according to the change in Anglo Japanese economic relations. We Japanese believe in the ideas of free trade and we are determined to advance this idea by means of stimulating mutual understanding. To commemorate the Silver Jubilee this year the Japanese Chamber of Commerce and Industry is going to invite essays on Japan from U.K. citizens and invite up to six winners to a two-week study tour of Japan. We hope that the U.K. citizens' interest in Japan will deepen their understanding of Japan through this project.

We are resolved to continue our vigorous effort in encouraging friendship and understanding on the occasion of our 25th year.



Soz̄o Ohki, President.

Essay Competition

Contestants:	Must be UK citizens, 18 years or over but under 40 on 1 September 1984 and must not have visited Japan previously.
Theme:	Either "The Future of Anglo-Japanese Relations" or "My Image of Japan"
Length & Format:	700 to 1,000 words, typewritten in English, double spaced on A4 paper. Four copies of the finished piece should be submitted.
Closing Date:	Entries must be accompanied by a completed entry form which is available from the Chamber and must arrive at latest by last post on 31 July 1984.
Prizes:	Two weeks' visit to Japan for up to six people. The study tour is expected to take place in late September. Its objective is to promote understanding and to strengthen ties between the UK and Japan. It will offer the opportunity of studying the political, economic, industrial, social and cultural aspects of Japan at first hand as well as including opportunities for sight-seeing and free time.
Applications to:	The General Manager The Japanese Chamber of Commerce and Industry in the U.K. c/o Mitsui & Co Ltd Temple Court 11 Queen Victoria Street London EC4N 4SB

PARIS DIARY

Frank Johnson

Galling times

The phrase *while England slept*, relating to European affairs, has taken on a new meaning. So all last week it was left to France to assume the burden of being excited about the European election results.

On the whole, France discharged this responsibility effectively. The Briton could only marvel at the ability of any nation to be agitated by anything connected with the phantom assembly of Strasbourg. The excitement, however, had nothing to do with Strasbourg and was solely to do with France. Being a more than usually unpopular party in power at home, M Mitterrand's Socialists had taken a considerable beating. So, even more, had their coalition partners, the Communists. The next appropriate sitting of the French parliament was therefore more assiduously attended than usual. M Gaudin, the leader of the centre-conservative UDF deputies (for in France, the Tory wets have their own party), was to be heard using a very wet metaphor. "It was a vote against the commander, the captain, the crew, and the cabin boys. The left has been condemned because it led the ship on to the reefs and it's on the way to sinking it."

The opposition had been saying that, if Mitterrand were General de Gaulle, he would have resigned by now. They pointed to 1969 when de Gaulle resigned the presidency after a setback over a matter even more boring than the European elections: a referendum on devolution.

Parisians tend to refer to Charles de Gaulle Airport as "Roissy", in the way that Londoners talk of Heathrow. But when, at this sitting of the National Assembly, a colleague of M Mauroy (the prime minister) explained that Mauroy was not present because he had to go "to Roissy", there were cries from the Gaullist benches of: "Charles de Gaulle! Charles de Gaulle!" As a result, M Mermaz, the Socialist president of the Assembly, rather piously exclaimed: "*Lamentable!*"

Mitterrand will not resign, or dissolve the assembly and call a general election before the constitution demands it in 1986, because he has no resemblance to de Gaulle. He is a more literate, more dignified-looking version of a parliamentary string-puller on the British model, rather than a great national monument. For such figures, office is the point of it all.

Still, it was a good political week, thanks to the opposition's skilful use of Charles de Gaulle, the famous statesman, and even more skilful use of Charles de Gaulle, the famous airport.

No socks please, we're French

Now that the events are sufficiently distant from our time, passions have cooled, and the archives are available, we may assess the impact on Anglo-French relations of Mr Philip Howard in the turbulent spring of 1984.

Readers will recall that France, acting through its literary magazine *Lire*, invited various foreign newspapers to ask their readers to name the ten greatest dead European writers. The diplomacy was from the outset complicated by the fact that Mr Howard, while cooperating in the overall design, suggested that the whole thing was idiotic, and kept on calling *Lire* a downmarket Frog *TLS*.

The latest *Lire* reports that "the manner in which each newspaper comported itself in the organization and realization of the referendum was very representative of the psychology of the country."

Die Zeit published the questionnaire on the day requested by the French. "*Présentation impeccable*" . . . "serious and reflective on the part of journalists and readers."

El País in Madrid "gave us a cold sweat. The days passed and the questionnaire stayed in the drawer." And when, eventually, that paper published the results, it was 15 days before it was supposed to. "The enthusiasm of the Italians was immediate" at *La Stampa*.

And the Howard-*Times* reaction? "They, of course, did not act like everybody else." Publish some boxes to tick off the name? That's all right for French, Germans, Italians and Spanish. *Lire* seemed baffled that "British humour obliged" Mr Howard to "present the referendum in the form of a chronicle" in which he referred to someone's "petits chaussettes de coton" (little cotton socks).

Like M Mitterrand in his present troubles with a representative Briton, *Lire*, then, has behaved with dignity in its relations with Mr Howard.

BARRY FANTONI



'I'll give you the answer to 13 down if you give me your portfolio card'

David Blake on a book that overturns some common misconceptions

Gloom mongers at bay

Ask most people what is happening to the world's population and they are likely to say it is exploding. Ask them whether there will be enough food next century and they will say no. Ask them about the world's energy supplies and they will say that they are running out and we will all be sitting in the dark and cold next century. Ask them about raw materials and they will say that we are using them up at a rate which will mean that there are none left for our grandchildren.

These statements have two things in common. They are all gloomy, if not about this century then the next. And they are all wrong. Or so it is persuasively argued in a book, *Full Circle into the Future*, produced last week by the Henley Centre for Forecasting, which tries to chart our future over the next quarter century. Most of the attention the book, produced with support from Telford New Town Corporation, has received so far has concentrated on its forecasts for Britain, the way we will live and the prospect of five million unemployed. But its most important message is a very different one; the merchants of global doom have been allowed to get away with depressing people for too long. Start to examine each of the statements at the start of this article and the predictions fall apart.

Take population. There is no doubt that world population has increased, is increasing and will go on growing for many years to come. In 1950 there were about 2,500 million people in the world, now there are 4,500 million, virtually double.

The gloomy scenarios for the future see this figure growing ever more rapidly, reaching 10 billion by the year 2030 and rising to 30 billion by 2100, which really would be a pretty crowded world. The explanation for this is usually said to be that in developing countries death rates have dropped, babies which used to die now live and will grow up to have other babies. In the developing world, so the argument goes, the birth rate per couple has not dropped in response to these changes and it probably will not do so. All sorts of reasons are given for this. Some are about the difficulties of explaining contraception to an under-educated population. Some are sociological – in rural areas children are needed to take care of aged parents. Some are religious – the Catholic Church is opposed to contraception and prevents its spread in Latin America.

The only problem with these explanations is that they posit something which has not happened. Fertility rates have not stayed obstinately high since the early 1950s. They are down by more than 40 per cent in East Asia, nearly a quarter in Latin America and by about 20 per cent in South Asia. Even more encouraging, all the countries of the world show clear signs of following the path which industrial nations went down many years ago. As living standards rise, the number of children falls because potential parents become more used to the idea that they have a choice between having children and higher living standards.



Population is stabilizing, food production is going up, vast energy sources remain untapped. The future is brighter than we have been led to believe

Some of the impact of this is already apparent. In 1969 the United Nations forecast a population of 7,500 million by the year 2000; revision after revision has brought that figure down to just over 6,000 million.

Even the pessimists admit that population catastrophe has been delayed, pushed on to the end of the twenty-first century rather than the beginning. But if the Henley estimates are right it is not going to happen. For by the beginning of the next century the population will stop growing at all. We will have a total population figure of between 6 to 6.5 billion which will remain steady at that figure.

Will we be able to feed that many people? The short answer is yes. The projection of famine, either in polemics like *Limits to Growth* or in fictionalized versions like the film *Soylent Green*, where even western countries are half starved, show no signs of coming true. We have been through the period of greatest population growth, yet even in that time the world was able to increase the amount of food per person which it produces. This has not been all good news, as British taxpayers who have to pay to buy up huge surpluses of some foods can testify. Much of the food is of the wrong kind in the wrong place. But with the significant exception of Africa, the people of the world are better fed now than 20 years ago, probably better fed than at any time in history.

Many people do not know that, which is why they feel that starvation is coming. They think that things have got worse when in fact they have got better. This ignorance is not an excuse which can be used by forecasters, however. Most of those who warn of disaster realize that things have improved but say that a reversal is in sight. One reason often put forward is that the deserts are spreading.

The truth is very different. The amount of agricultural land in the Third World is increasing, not diminishing. And the yields which farmers can get on that land are rising too. There may be severe problems in some areas of the world, especially Africa. But the balance of probability is that by the year 2000 food production will have grown faster than population. For the world as a whole, there will be more food and it will be cheaper.

We will have food to eat, but will we have anything to cook it on? The energy crisis of the early 1970s was traumatic for the western world and has led us to think that we were being given advance warning that we are running out of fuel. Now in some sense that is bound to happen. One day the sun will cease to shine and that will be the end of everything. But we have several million years before we need worry about that. In Canada there are huge deposits of oil-bearing shale. Getting the oil out is such a difficult business that it is currently not worth it. But it is still there, waiting to be removed when needed. The only drawback is that it will be more expensive.

Markets have a way of dealing with that problem. The price charged goes up and people cut back on their use. At the height of the 1974 oil crisis there were many voices heard saying energy was not like that, that Americans were so committed to gas guzzler cars that they would use them whatever the price. The years have passed and so have most of the gas guzzlers.

What does the evidence of the past tell us? It says that energy prices have fallen over the past century during a time of great growth. In the 1950s and 1960s they dropped spectacularly and there was a correcting rise in the 1970s.

What about other commodities? The first point to note is that virtually no commodities are indispensable. If there is not enough copper for the cables, we can use aluminium instead. The second is that the way this happens is that copper gets expensive, telling consumers that they ought to switch to something else. The third is that if we take this test of whether commodities as a whole are getting scarcer, they seem in fact to be becoming more plentiful. During the past century the price of commodities has tended to fall steadily.

To say that the four great harbingers of apocalypse which gained fashion in the 1970s – population, food shortages, energy shortages and commodity shortages – are all fake problems does not mean that real ones do not exist. They do. But we ought to concentrate on the real problems in our societies, not imaginary ones.

Full Circle into the Future *by the Henley Centre for Forecasting (price £85).*

Ferdinand Mount

Let's make buses more omni

Lovers of R. S. Surtees will remember the inimitable beginning of *Mr Sponge's Sporting Tour*. Our hero is seen "mizzling" along Oxford Street, pausing at the "bus-perplexed" Circus, and fetching up at the Edgware Road end, eyeing the many-coloured buses with a wanting-a-ride-like air: "Red, green, blue, drab, cinnamon-colour passed and crossed, and jostled, and stopped". In this riotous confusion of conveyances, Mr Sponge is, as always, master of the situation: "Quietly awaiting the evaporation of the steam, and the disentanglement of the vehicles, by the smallest possible sign in the world, the bus is obliged either to come to or lose the fare, and he steps quietly in."

How unlike our own dear request stops. It is a vanished world; the huge variety of buses, all competing frenetically for custom, seems a far cry from the dignified monopoly of London Transport. Today it is only in remote places such as Hongkong, and Istanbul, and Buenos Aires, that you find buses in profusion and hungry for passengers.

The side-effects of this rationing were masked so long as there was, for most people, little alternative to bus travel. But with the rise of the private car, the effect became visible and dramatic. Since 1955, the number of bus passengers has halved, and subsidies have risen from £71m in 1972 to nearly £1,000m a year today. It is a vicious circle. The longer people have to wait for a bus, the fewer people will be prepared to wait; hence the steeper the losses, and the higher the fares and the subsidies.

This decline is not inevitable. Since the long-distance coaches were de-rationed in 1980, fares have come down on average by 40 per cent in real terms, and 700 new services have been introduced. Yet journeys of more than 30 miles are just the ones for which the private car is most suitable. Millions of people still do not have cars and would love to see cheaper and more frequent bus services running over any distance from one mile to 800 miles.

Next month, Nicholas Ridley, the Transport Secretary, is to publish his White Paper on Buses. And already the vested interests are limbering up to resist change: the National Bus Company, London Transport, the transport unions, and the great groups of nationalizers, co-ordinators and integrators who have before their eyes the vision of a pure and seamless "transport policy".

Many of the objections raised are already crumbling under the pressure of experience. It is not simply the example of the long-distance coaches with their videos and "in-flight service"). (Why do other forms of transport, such as hovercraft, feel bound to borrow the language of the airways, notoriously the most disagreeable form of travel?). For the past couple of years, there have been three trial areas – in Devon, Norfolk and Hereford-and-Worcester – in which all bus licensing has been abolished for town and country buses alike. The results on these mainly rural services are incouraging if not spectacular. One can hardly blame private operators for entering rather gingerly a field from which they have been excluded for half a century. But, despite the dire predictions of chaos, there are undoubtedly more buses running and costing less, either in fares or in subsidies.

These results are not so very surprising. In parts of Australia, one of the few countries where it is possible to make a direct comparison between state buses and private buses on scheduled services, the running costs of the state buses are reckoned to be up to 50 per cent higher. Private firms can run buses profitably on routes where state operators could not.

This brings up the "bald-tyre cowboys" argument – that private bus firms tend to cut their costs by lowering standards of safety and maintenance. If this objection, already being voiced by the *New Statesman*, were valid, it would of course be an equally valid objection to the private ownership of taxi cabs (where in fact the inspectors keep up remarkably high standards). Safety licensing, which is vital and should probably be strengthened, is not to be confused with quantity licensing, which is not and should be abolished.

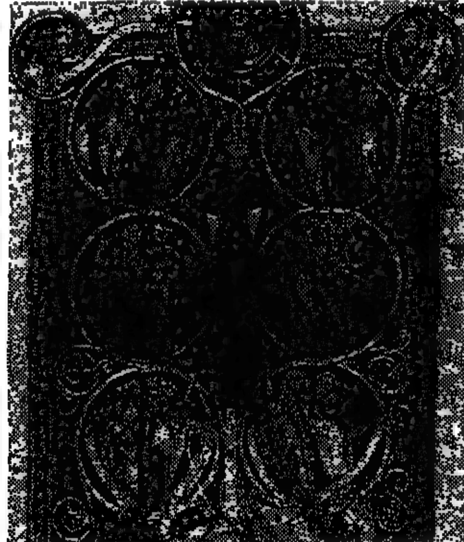
But will there not be traffic chaos and dangerous touting for custom, just as described in *Mr Sponge's Sporting Tour*? Again, there is not with privately owned taxis; fear of losing one's operator's licence is a powerful deterrent to cowboy behaviour. And as for congestion, if every extra bus contains only two people who might otherwise have been driving their cars, congestion would actually be reduced. The unions' fears about unemployment are understandable, but if there are more buses running, there will be more, not fewer, jobs for bus drivers (although not necessarily with London Transport or the National Bus Company).

The best argument of all – and one which ought to appeal to this government as much as it would have to Soapy Sponge – is, simply, liberty: if someone wants to run a bus service, he ought to be allowed to, unless there is an overwhelming reason for stopping him – and there is not.

Bernard Levin visits the Romanesque exhibition at the Hayward Gallery







Three twelfth century treasures on show at the Hayward: the St Alban's Psalter, a keystone showing Samson and the Lion from Keynsham Abbey and a page showing the Tree of Jesse from the Lambeth Bible

When faith reigned supreme and art conquered all

It is a curious fact that only two British historical dates are known to everybody in this country. Seek for universal knowledge of when any other event occurred – the birth or death of Henry VIII, the Civil War, the Glorious Revolution, the accession of any of the Georges or even Victoria, the outbreak of the First World War or indeed the Second – however many people could give the correct answer, many could not. But there is no one who is ignorant of November the Fifth (though few could attach the right year to what it commemorates): no doubt it has been printed so indelibly on our memories because of the institution of Bonfire Night and its penumbra of fireworks, rhymes and the stand-and-deliver of children demanding a penny for the guy. (I sometimes wonder how many Americans know where their slang use of "guy" to mean "man" comes from.)

The other date that everybody knows is 1066, though I am by no means certain of the reason. Can it be that *1066 And All That*, the comic history of England ("The Cavaliers were Wrong but Wromantic and the Roundheads were Right but Repulsive") took so powerful a grip on popular imagination that it fixed the date in everybody's mind for ever? Probably not: Sellar and Yeatman presumably chose their title because 1066 was already deep in the British collective unconscious. If so, it must be for an excellent and blood-stirring reason: 1066 was the last time that England was successfully invaded. (More profitless speculation: do we get our expression, "One in the eye", meaning an unexpected and unwelcome reverse, from the death of Harold on the field of Hastings?)

Of some ancient families it is still said that they "came over with the Conqueror": thus the Bayeux Tapestry records their coming and what they did with it. What it cannot show is what happened next, but the deficiency is at present being largely remedied at the Hayward Gallery, in an exhibition entitled English Romanesque Art 1066-1200. The flowering of the new culture in the twelfth century, with its Byzantine elements (among others) is as remarkable an explosion as anything that happened anywhere in art before the Renaissance (there was only one Giotto, after all), and for my part. I confess that until I saw the exhibition I had not the smallest notion of the scale and sumptuousness of it. Romanesque architecture is hardly a closed book but to be familiar with Durham Cathedral and the Castle next door is one thing: it is quite another to know more than a smattering, if that, of the vast range of sculpture, ivory carvings, metal work, and above all manuscripts that adorned the century after the completion of the Norman Conquest.

I have been twice so far, and I must squeeze in another visit before it finishes: apart from anything else, there are getting on for 600 items. But one ineluctable conclusion faces every visitor in every room.

It is that this was an age in which the only certain thing in the world, the only landmark that could not be swept away overnight by the waves of history, was the Church. The pre-conquest world had been destroyed, and the quaking of the earth that marks any such transition certainly lasted to the end of William's reign and beyond, for all the wisdom he displayed in consolidating his new kingdom. And it was not long before the troubled reign of Stephen reminded people of the dangers, as well as the transitoriness, of human life:

In this King's time there was nothing but strife and evil in the land. For when they perceived that he was a mild and soft and good man and did no justice, the lords . . . were all forsworn and their troth all broken. For each lord built a castle for himself. . . . Then seized they many a person, both men and women, and put them in their castles, and tortured them for gold and silver. And never were martyrs tortured as they were. . . . And there was never seen such hanging. And so it lasted for nineteen years . . . till the land was all undone and darkened with such deeds. . .

If it had not been an age of faith anyway it would have had to become one. The evidence is all around the Hayward's walls, not to mention in the large proportion of clergymen among the visitors. Look first at No 221, an ivory carving dating from the very end of the exhibition's span; it shows the Deposition, with a sorrowing Joseph of Arimathea just removing Christ's body from the Cross; as he lowers the body on to his shoulder he prepares to take the weight. The distance between this tiny carving and a Francis Bacon Pope is seven a and a half centuries; more precisely, seven and a half infinities.

The same may be said, even more strongly, about item 206, an altar cross in walrus ivory carved with scenes of the Passion; what is most remarkable about it is not its beauty, or even the delicate intricacy of the crowded design, but its exuberance. Not until the Last Trump shall we discover the identity of the carver, and even then he may be too modest to step forward and claim his due recognition. But to look at the cross for more than a moment is to know a good deal about him, chiefly his realization that the Crucifixion, apparently the greatest defeat in human history, was in truth human history's greatest victory. But even more important than the artist's certainty (and incidentally, I shall be very surprised, at the Last Trump, if he has any idea that he is an artist, or even what we mean by the word) is the fact that he lived at a time when his certainty would have occasioned no surprise anywhere in his society, though the fact that his cross would be seen in something called an exhibition, and that it had travelled to be exhibited from a place called an art gallery (the New York Metropolitan) would have caused him the greatest possible astonishment.

Inevitably, of course, the exhibition is dominated by the Christian witness of those who created the items on display, of which the vast collection of illuminated manuscripts is perhaps the most striking section. (In the beginning was the word; but the picture was not far behind.) But not everything was made with such a purpose; there are secular objects on display, too, including some delightful door-knockers.

At times, the visitor feels that the dissolution of the monasteries is proceeding before his very eyes; the place is full of stone carvings untimely ripped from the cathedrals of England. Some of them are very human indeed: there is (No 169) a figure of an apostle of which the catalogue note says that the way he is holding his chin in his hand "is often found in representations of St John in the Crucifixion scene", and so it may be, but to the naked eye it is obvious that the apostle has pricked his thumb on a thorn and is sucking it.

The Hayward Gallery brings forcefully to mind Scott's first diary entry after reaching the Pole: "Great God, this is an awful place!" The greatest tribute I can pay to this immense, varied, passionate and moving exhibition is that it makes a visitor forget within moments the depressing nature of its surroundings.

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Anne Sofer

A test that doesn't make the grade

When, almost a quarter of a century ago, I left teaching to become a full-time mother, it seemed to me that three educational reforms were urgently necessary: the introduction of parents as governors, the abolition of selection at 11 and the merger of the O-level and CSE examinations. Progressive educational thinking was travelling slowly in the same direction and I hoped that, with a bit of luck and some outside pressure, the desirable changes would be carried out in time for my own children to benefit.

I overestimated the likely speed of change. Token numbers of parent governors were introduced when my first child was at primary school. Selection was abolished just in time for the last child to start a fully comprehensive secondary education. And now, while he is in the middle of O-levels, the announcement of the new merged exam comes. He will have left school before the first courses even start.

Nonetheless I suppose I should be applauding warmly and joining the chorus of educationists and politicians saying generously "better late than never".

But the truth is that this is one reform that *would* be better never than late. It is an answer to a problem that was perceived 20 years ago but is now overtaken by events. Among all those pundits who are officially "delighted" at the announcement, some must be filled with misgiving.

The danger is that the new system, formalised and stamped all over with the marks of a "historic settlement" painstakingly achieved, may turn out to be more of a block to progress than the continuation of the present one, chaotic as it is.

The chaos has grown in recent years rather than subsided, and in some ways it is a breeding ground for innovation rather than mere muddle. Several of the O-level examining boards have been responding to the schools' demand for joint syllabi with CSE in any case; others have been collaborating in the more radical proposals coming from (for instance) Oxfordshire and the ILEA to move away from a once-and-for-all public examination towards a system more like graded music examinations – tests of competence taken over time at successively more difficult levels. Other certificating bodies have been muscling in on the 14-16 curriculum area: City and Guilds, the Business and Technical Education Council, the Royal Society of Arts. Some of their courses are found to be more motivating and more acceptable to employers than CSE or even, in some cases, O-level. The boundaries between school and further education are becoming fluid: some 14 and 15-year-olds may regularly spend more than half a week in college. The Government's own "Technical and Vocational Education Initiative" is spawning more new courses. . . .

All this time the age of 16 is becoming less and less significant as there is no longer that ready job market waiting. Young people are coming to realize that the piece of paper they get when they are 16 may be less useful than what they get next – whether it is good grades at A-level, a vocational qualification or contact with a possible employer on a training scheme.

Increasingly, employers are setting their own aptitude tests rather than rely on O-level or CSE; those few apprenticeships that still survive are tending to start later, accepting a City and Guilds qualification as equivalent to the first year. In short it is a fluid situation in which a new pattern is emerging – a longer period of education (whether full or part-time), a later entry into the job market – or, all too often, unemployment – and a range of different qualifications. Such a pattern would bring us closer to the educational system of most comparable foreign countries, none of which goes in for such an expensive and disruptive exercise at the age of 16.

There is another danger. As Shirley Williams recently pointed out in a lecture reprinted in *The Times Educational Supplement*, the academic/vocational split has been at least as damaging to Britain as the 11 plus though far less widely commented on. We are good at advancing the frontiers of scientific knowledge but we then allow other nations to occupy the territory. Every article one reads about the technological advances being made by Japan and the United States seems to reveal yet another discovery made in a British laboratory on which commercial development in this country has barely started.

There is nothing in the new proposals which addresses this problem. On the contrary, the creation of the new award of "Distinction" to be given to those who get high grades in a combination of academic subjects will deepen the divide. We will continue to convey to children that the way to success in life is to develop a good short-term memory, the ability to write fast under pressure and a skill at spotting trick questions. The business of actually designing or making or managing anything is for those with lesser talents.

One of my favourite stories is one Alex Smith told at a lecture at the RSA. Being shown round a comprehensive school on one occasion he paused in the craft shop to admire a quite magnificent artefact. "Oh, yes" said the head, stopping for him. "Yes, that's the work of one of our less able pupils".

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PLAIN SPEAKING

Mr Konstantin Chernenko "gave a jump" (or was it a wince?) when he heard M Mitterrand pronounce the name Sakharov at the Kremlin banquet on Thursday night, according to *Le Monde*. Reporters of other nationalities have attested to an "audible intake of breath" from his Soviet hosts on the recording of M Mitterrand's speech, followed by a pause during which the Soviet official interpreter was apparently uncertain whether to carry on.

That is, in a way, rather encouraging news. If the Soviet leaders cannot bear to hear the name Sakharov pronounced by a visiting head of state at an official banquet, it follows that they must regard Dr Sakharov's case as quite a serious embarrassment. And so they should.

Conventional wisdom has it that such cases are better dealt with by "quiet diplomacy", and that heads of state or government should not complicate international relations by alluding publicly to each other's domestic problems. But quiet diplomacy has been tried often enough in the case of Dr Sakharov and, as far as European countries are concerned, the Helsinki Final Act has made explicit the connexion between international relations and the rights accorded to individual citizens. A Western head of state or government who visits Moscow without making any public allusion to the denial of human rights in the Soviet Union could be said to be condoning Soviet lack of respect for international obligations.

There was, it can be argued, no need for M Mitterrand to go to Moscow at all. That is true; but M Mitterrand makes rather a point of going to places and telling people, to their faces, what he thinks. One recalls his visit to Israel two years ago. His predecessors had found it convenient not to go there. M Mitterrand went, and made a speech advocating the establishment of a Palestinian state. He believes in saying the same thing to different people; not in saying to each person only that part of what you think that is likely to be most palatable to him. It is not what is conventionally understood by diplomacy, but the better and more experienced diplomats would argue that even a diplomat is generally serving his country better by telling the truth.

Certainly, when Western powers come to deal with the Soviet Union it is vital that they do so without ambiguity. Nothing could be more dangerous than to encourage Soviet leaders to believe that they can divide the West by seducing individual Western countries, or by playing on the tensions and criticisms within the Atlantic alliance. France, in the past, has been the country most prone to encourage this illusion.

It is M Mitterrand's great merit that he has gone to Moscow only after making it crystal clear, by his vocal and consistent support for the deployment of cruise and Pershing-2 missiles in Western Europe and by his recent carefully staged state visit to the United States, that French differences with the United States on specific areas or policies in no way call in question France's alignment with the Western camp.

His visit does not presage any new breakthrough in East-West relations. That, if it is to come at all, will have to wait until the Russians have sorted out their own internal conflicts and have reconciled themselves to the prospect of a second Reagan presidency. But it was a useful visit in that it showed that deep and bitter disagreements need not prevent East and West from talking to each other, and that, on the Western side, such disagreements do not proceed from or betoken any desire to have bad relations for their own sake. In this context the trip to Stalingrad, in recognition of the enormous sacrifices and achievements of the Soviet Union in the Second World War, was a particularly elegant gesture after the recent D-Day celebrations in the West. France is grateful to have been liberated by democratic powers, but she knows and we know that, without the fighting on the Eastern front, there might have been no liberation at all.

CHILD ABDUCTION

The decision of the House of Lords in *Regina v D* last week, that a father can be convicted of kidnapping his own child, has come at an inconvenient moment for the promoters of the Child Abduction Bill which reaches its Report Stage in the Lords, today. The Bill would create two new offences of abduction of children under 16: abduction to a foreign country by a parent, guardian or custodian without the consent of the other parent, guardian or custodian, or the court's permission; and abduction by any other person from the lawful control of the person entitled to that control. The Law Lords have now made new law by ruling that the old common law crime of kidnapping, the taking or carrying away of a person by force or by fraud without that person's consent, and without lawful excuse, applies to abduction of children as well as adults, and by parents as well as by strangers. Where does this leave the Bill?

There are some quite striking differences between the Bill and the newly elaborated common law offence of kidnapping. The common law crime is limited to cases of abduction by force or fraud; the Bill, on the other hand, would also cover cases of enticement by bribes or promises. The common law requires lack of consent by the child; the Bill, focuses on lack of consent by the relevant adult. In the case of abduction by a parent, guardian or custodian, the Bill limits criminal liability to cases where the child is removed abroad, and restricts prosecutions to those instituted by, or with the consent of the DPP; neither restriction exists at common law, and there is nothing to stop one parent from launching a private prosecution against the other for kidnapping their child.

Which is the better, the Bill or the common law? The limitation of the common law to cases of force or fraud is not to its advantage. While abduction by enticement may be less traumatic for the child (at least in the very short term), its effect on the deprived parent is no less devastating than where the child is *literally* snatched away, and the need to secure the child's return is no less urgent. As for the common law requirement of lack of consent by the child, this has the drawback that a child approaching or in its teens might well have to go through the ordeal of having to give evidence against its abducting parent.

Is the Bill right to restrict criminal liability, in the case of an abducting parent, guardian, or custodian, to removal of the child abroad? It has been the bitter experience of many parents that the powers of the English civil courts to secure the return of a child to within the jurisdiction are to a large extent ineffective, because of the difficulty of enforcing an English custody order abroad. Although international conventions exist which would mitigate this problem, the United Kingdom has yet to ratify them. In the meantime, by imposing criminal liability on a parent who abducts his child out of the country the Bill ought to achieve two tangible advantages: first, speedy police assistance for the wronged parent to prevent the commission of the offence; secondly, where appropriate arrangements are in force, extradition of the offending parent to this country.

Where the parent abducts the child from one place to another within the jurisdiction, there is much less need for the criminal law to be invoked: the civil courts have ample means to enforce the child's return and to punish disobedience to its orders as a contempt. It is obviously desirable to restrict the operation of the criminal law "tug of love" situations to cases of absolute necessity in the interests of the child and its family: hence the Bill's further requirement that prosecution of a parent, guardian or custodian must be by, or with the consent of the DPP.

Parliament has fashioned a better instrument than the judges for dealing with the problem of child abduction. Once the Bill becomes law, the common law offence will serve no useful purpose so far as it relates to the abduction of children under 16. If it is now too late for the Bill to be amended to get rid of the overlapping common law offence, at the very least its potential for abuse should be restricted. Lord Scarman has tabled an amendment to the Bill, designed to place the decision to prosecute for the common law crime in the hands of the DPP where the abduction is by the parent, guardian, or custodian of a child under 16. In the absence of a more radical proposal, the amendment deserves to be supported in the Lords today.

THE MAN FOR URUGUAY

Six warships turned out to assist in the arrest of Sr Wilson Ferreira Aldunate on his return to Uruguay after eleven years in exile, and they were backed up on shore by a large turn-out of troops and censors. Few ferry-borne politicians anywhere have earned such a grand reception. It is a tribute to his constancy and popularity, yet another sign of the negative effect of proscription in Latin America – familiar enough on the other shore of the River Plate – and evidence of the quandary in which the military government of Uruguay now finds itself.

It can be argued that the raison d'être of military rule in Uruguay was never clear. Though the prestige of the civilian politicians of the republic's historic Blanco and Colorado parties was certainly low in 1973, the wildly ill-conceived subversive threat of the Tupamaro guerrillas had already been overcome by then. The soldiers showed no taste or talent for positive innovation. They kept the old parties in a state of suspended animation. In a small and pacific country with a large bureaucracy, they found little difficulty in exercising a high degree of control, and in proportion to population Uruguay suffered perhaps more arrests and imprisonments – though not deaths – than any country in Latin America, and an emigration higher than Cuba's.

Uruguay – except for Uruguayans – may not be an important country, but it had a vigorous, varied and tolerant cultural life. Military rule added a new dimension to the concept of boredom: faithful in their own way to the country's tradition of collegiate government, the armed forces refrained from producing any recognizably responsible personality; the institution ruled, but it has for long been impossible to discern who is really in charge.

In 1980 the government held a referendum on future constitutional arrangements, and its plans were rejected by a convincing 57 per cent. Since then there has been a marked revival of political activity, and support for military rule has further eroded among all classes. Journalism has regained something of its old verve, recognized in the recent flurry of suspensions and closures. The traditional parties have been permitted to hold primaries – Sr Ferreira's Blancos did best, particularly in Montevideo. General Liber Seregni, the leader of the left Frente Amplio (which those who fear the left should recall never got even 20 per cent of the vote), has been released from eight years in prison and his political rights have been restored.

Elections have been promised for November. The military's conditions are three. They demand the exclusion of parties with foreign links, which is an irrelevance as Uruguay's communists are insignificant. They require a future constitutional role for the armed forces, and a proscription of Sr Ferreira's political activities to some far distant date.

Uruguay may be a small country, but these are not small issues. Banning communists is ineffective and counter-productive, as well as illiberal, and is not the practice of enlightened Latin American governments. Soldiers returning to barracks cannot exact cast-iron guarantees that they should have an assured role in political and judicial affairs, for the simple reason that civilian politicians in a democracy cannot and should not make them any such offer. No politician who makes such a concession can be relied on to deliver, whatever his personal conviction may be. The only thing the armed forces can do is bite the bullet, and history and politics will be their judges.

As for Sr Ferreira, he is the leader of a party which by no stretch of the imagination can be considered extreme, which is part of a multi-party opposition that the military has so far failed significantly to divide. It is an opposition that has no connexions with past violence, and repudiates any such recourse in the future. He has made his play with courage, frankness and – not the least of political virtues – a certain good humour. Perhaps his countrymen will find a way through this confrontation back to traditions that are certainly worthy of respect.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Relegation danger in Europe

From Mr David Howell MP for Guildford (Conservative)

Sir, The prospect of relegation for Britain to a second tier of the European Community, to which Government policy is in danger of letting us drift, is even more serious than Mr Vernon Bogdanor suggests (June 20).

The illusion exists that with greater freedom from Community entanglements we would then have more independent control of our economic destiny. The reality is that the more separated we are from the rest of Europe, the more vulnerable we become to the influence of the US economy's ups and downs.

Nothing illustrates this better than the present effect of high US interest rates on our own. The opportunity now exists for Britain to move far closer to West Germany in the co-ordination of monetary and fiscal policy than hitherto (their stance is now very similar to ours).

This would be a major step towards building a financial force in Europe, more able to counter the pull of American interest rates, from which in our present disarray we are "not immune", to use the Chancellor's phrase.

The irony is that within the United States itself many borrowers seem to have quite a favourable degree of immunity. To gain a bit more of this for ourselves, and at the same time to forge much closer London-Bonn economic and financial links, would seem like two very worthwhile aims for our European policy. But we will need to stay firmly in tier one to achieve them.

Yours faithfully,
DAVID HOWELL,
House of Commons.
June 20.

16-plus examination

From Mr David Gale

Sir, Your leading article of June 21 awards "nearly full marks to Sir Keith Joseph" for the new 16-plus system; however, he might have done even better if he had answered all the questions.

There are thousands of 12-15 year olds currently streamed in CSE courses, who will not of course benefit from the new system starting in 1988. They, together with their parents, now have confirmation of what we have suspected for some time, that CSE qualifications are largely valueless.

Those of us who have been subject to a barrage of propaganda from comprehensive schools to support their preference for the safer option of streaming the "doubtfuls" and the "late starters" in taking CSEs rather than pushing them up to O-level standards, now have some cause to feel aggrieved.

School leavers face enough demoralising problems now and over the next few years; the tragic side effect of the new system is that the "rump" left taking the last of the CSEs will have their morale undermined from the age of 12. Telling them that there is a better system coming along for their juniors is not going to help a lot.

Is it a vain hope that the education authorities should care enough at least to help those teenagers who aspire to achieve something better than discredited qualifications over the next three years?

Yours faithfully,
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Southgate, N14.
June 21.

A woman's work

From Mrs Margaret Morey

Sir, Dr Stancliffe's letter (June 18) draws attention to the "callous indifference" of those in authority towards the miseries of unemployment. My own recent experience bears this out.

I have been fighting – so far unsuccessfully – for the last six months, to share my job – and of course my salary. I know there are people in the area, suitably qualified and unable to obtain employment, who would be keen to job-share with me. The local authority for which I work has a seemingly enlightened policy to encourage job-sharing, but obstacles have been placed in my way on the ground that my job is a managerial one. I have been in the post for eight years.

The final irony is that the job I wish to share is that of a senior careers officer. One would hardly expect to find such an attitude within the Careers Service, whose raison d'être is to help the problem of youth unemployment.

Yours faithfully,
MARGARET MOREY,
(Area Careers Officer, Newcastle upon Tyne),
The Firs, The Stanners,
Corbridge, Northumberland.
June 19.

De minimis

From Mr John Herbert

Sir, May I hasten to congratulate the 13th Earl of Airlie who, together with the Duke of Norfolk, the Earl Marshal, will now have the joint responsibility for organizing the great state occasions in which the entire nation pays its sincere homage to our magnificent Royal Family (report, June 19).

May I therefore, as head of a downtown, inner-city comprehensive school, offer the services of my splendid pupils to act as pages or maids-in-waiting on future state occasions and as replacements for the unrepresentative young people who act in those capacities at the present time.

Come to think of it, we sing rather well, too.

Yours sincerely,
JOHN HERBERT,
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Nash Road,
Newport, Gwent.
June 19.

Doubts over satellite broadcasting

From Professor A.S.C. Ehrenberg and Mr Roger Graef

Sir, It is now an open secret that many people concerned with the proposed consortium for DBS (direct broadcasting satellite) have grave doubts about its current form, on financial, managerial and technological grounds. Pausing to get it right, even at the likely cost of £8m to £10m or so to cancel the contract with Unisat, makes good business sense. To invest half a billion pounds or more with the usual cost overruns does not. One Concorde in the sky is enough.

1. Financially, the plans assume a market that does not yet exist, using dish aerials that also do not exist in saleable form. The BBC's first sums proved to be seven times too low. Now with costs to be shared three ways between the BBC, ITV and a third party like Thorn EMI, the commercial prospects are still unappealing. Why else would a free-market government give the IBA the option of suspending competition for lucrative ITV franchises as a sweetener for DBS investors? Yet even so, at least one ITV company has been warned by its experts they "would be mad to invest".

2. Managerially, the problems involved in yoking three diverse rivals together are mind-boggling:

a. They would be seeking new viewers from each of their own existing audiences – a basic and continuing conflict of interest.

b. Neither the BBC nor ITV have ever managed a commercial system that sells to individual subscribers. Selling renewals is harder still, as American cable companies have learned to their cost.

c. Union problems are crucial to the enterprise. Each party operates under different agreements with diverse unions – ABS-Natke/ACTT/Equity/ ETU/Musicians/Writers Guild – for manning, pay, residuals and repeats. No pan-union deal has ever been achieved. The highest rates will be the benchmark. This could play havoc both with DBS costs and knock on into the rest of the industry.

3. Technologically, DBS is to give Britain a lead in the world market. But the Government-imposed Unisat design, at £200m for 200 Watts, is both overpowered and overpriced for latest needs: 100 Watts would do nicely and sell better.

To create a home market, UK consumers are expected to spend a *further £1bn* on dish aerials and new sets. This is presumably for better programmes than they get almost for free now. Yet DBS plans for new productions on three channels are modest in the extreme. Latest estimates allow £6,000 per hour. By comparison, frugal Channel 4 spends £30,000 per hour minimum.

But production is precisely where new investment is sorely needed. Both the BBC and ITV, despite record advertising revenues, have been cutting programme budgets. The film industry since the last Budget is desperate for cash. Good programmes and films are in short supply and – unlike DBS – in demand. They are a reliable source of jobs, export potential and profit, based on proven British expertise.

DBS is now before Parliament. Can we not avoid this waste of precious financial and management resources before it does real harm?

With high-definition television coming soon there may well be scope for DBS in future years. But it needs to be rethought. In the words of the Home Secretary, in its present form "DBS is a high-cost, high-risk venture" which we and many of our professional colleagues think is unjustifiable. We sense no enthusiasm from any of the parties.

Yours faithfully,
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June 22.

Conflict of creeds

From the Reverend Professor E. L. Mascall

Sir, In the current discussions about the Virgin Birth and the Empty Tomb it has not been made sufficiently clear that what is ultimately at issue is the fundamental question whether the occurrence of Jesus of Nazareth in history has brought about a change in the objective condition of the universe or only in the subjective outlook of Christians.

Orthodox Christianity has consistently maintained, as the creeds affirm, that the assumption of human nature by the eternal and creative Son of God, and in it his death and resurrection from the dead, had and continues to have effects which transform the entire human race, and through it the whole of the created universe.

This is totally different from the view that the first Christians were so deeply impressed by the character of Jesus and had such a vivid feeling of his continued presence with them that they invented myths and legends about him which later generations naively and mistakenly took to be accounts of actual occurrences.

In simple terms and avoiding all technicalities, the basic question is: has Jesus made a change in the way the world really is, or only in the way that it is helpful for us to feel and think about it?

It is because the Bishop-elect of Durham has failed to make it plain where he stands on this quite vital issue that his more recent utterances are unsatisfactory and unconvincing.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
E. L. MASCALL,
30 Bourne Street, SW1.
June 16.

From the Reverend Arthur Burrell

Sir, Your correspondents on this subject raise questions which deeply affect the future of our society. Is Christian faith a gift from God to the world or does it owe its existence to human reason?

The famous dictum of Anselm, Archbishop of Canterbury (1103-1109), was reversed by Abelard (died 1142), who changed it from "I believe in order to understand" to "I understand in order to believe". This reversal in the end demands an explanation of faith which is the same as explaining it away.

The manner in which we arrive at belief is a legitimate subject of enquiry, but if we are to insist on the Christian mysteries, contained in the Creed, being completely understood they will lose their capacity to challenge and transform our secular culture through the churches which profess them becoming a part of it themselves.

The modern world needs to learn that it is God alone who "can inform the mind and purify the heart".

Yours faithfully,
ARTHUR BURRELL,
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Goring Heath,
Reading,
Berkshire.
June 17.

Messing about in boats

From Mr R. T. Rivington

Sir, Yesterday's dongola racing (June 20) was indeed the first on the Isis for university crews since 1922.

St Edmund Hall 2 won the final heat against Lady Margaret Hall. St Edmund Hall 1, lacking experience as watermen and paddling stern first (as they punt at Oxford), did not realize the craft created a reverse stern wave. It came over their undecked end, the more so the faster they went; so, leading by a length from Lady Margaret Hall in the first round, they sank ten yards from the finish.

Nevertheless, their reputation as an all-round sporting college was enhanced.

Dongola racing on the Isis was restarted, however, in October, 1982, by two crews of men still fit for it the morning after a college Gaudy. In 1984, a regatta of 48 crews from Oxfordshire public houses was based on the Head of the River at Folly Bridge and will be held this year on July 1.

The Olympic canoe coach, David Train, intends to attempt dongola racing to explore still unsettled questions of its most efficient techniques.

The dongola racing at Wargrave and Shiplake Regatta, this year on August 4, is always excellent and the major trophy, the African World Shield, is competed for at Sunbury Regatta on August 11.

Yours faithfully,
R. T. RIVINGTON,
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Oxford.
June 21.

Death of a pope

From Father N. France and Father D. Leigh

Sir, On a visit to Venice last month we asked a priest of that diocese about the health of his former bishop, Cardinal Luciani, who died within a month of becoming Pope as John Paul I. His answer is worth recording in view of the recent unexpected and unmerited attention that has been given, even in *The Times*, to David Yallop's book *In God's Name*, which makes the astonishing claim that John Paul I was assassinated.

To achieve his point the author character-assassinates many honourable men who served the church faithfully under recent popes.

The Venetian priest openly remarked that the early death of John Paul I came as no surprise since Cardinal Luciani had once had a "stroke" and that, due to delicate health, he retired to bed at seven most evenings during his time as Patriarch of Venice.

Incidentally, this priest is a qualified doctor and works full-time at a hospital in Venice, a post he was able to undertake with persmission from Cardinal Luciani himself.

It would be unfortunate if the fiction surrounding the death of John Paul I obscured at this time the facts relating to the real assassination attempt on John Paul II.

Yours faithfully,
NICHOLAS FRANCE,
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June 18.

Threatened village

From Mr Edmund Penning-Rowsell

Sir, One gem providing relief from the stark landscape of Bradford is the exquisite nineteenth-century planned village of Saltaire, on the city's doorstep.

However, this extraordinary community, created by the visionary industrialist, Titus Salt, is now under threat from the Ministry of Transport and the West Yorkshire County Council, who plan to build a roadway alongside the River Aire, demolishing bits of the townscape, including the famous boathouse.

I suppose that poor old Bradford, struggling hard to make a comeback, is suffering from the "kick-them-while-they're-down" syndrome with a twentieth-century postscript: "then run 'em over".

Yours faithfully,
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June 11.

'Henry VIII clause' on rate powers

From Lord Chelwood

Sir, Is it too late for the Commons, who consider Lords' amendments to the Rates Bill tomorrow (June 26), to have second thoughts about the constitutional aspects of part II?

Clause 9 is an enabling clause to give the Government powers under clauses 10 and 11 to limit rate increases in all local authorities in the country, except some low spenders. Attempts in both Houses to make this power subject to parliamentary scrutiny, amendment and approval, or to put a time limit on it, have been brushed aside, although supported by members of all parties and by all three local-authority associations.

In the Third Reading I described clause 9 as a "Henry VIII clause" (so called because the king was popularly regarded as the impersonation of executive autocracy), but the minister denied this. The debate, late at night, went unreported.

A "Henry VIII clause" simply gives a minister power to amend an Act, or bring part of it into operation (Donoughmore committee, 1932) within clearly defined, quite narrow limits (Erskine May, 20th edition). Clause 9 goes far beyond such limits.

It is true that modern statutes confer greater power on ministers and their departments than in the past. But Donoughmore unanimously recommended that a Henry VIII clause should always be "subject to a time limit of one year" and only permitted by Parliament "on special grounds stated in the ministerial memorandum". Surely this advice was wise and should still be followed?

I firmly believe that the delegated powers sought in this Bill, which I described in committee as "a nuclear deterrent" to spendthrift authorities, create a dangerous precedent, and should at least be amended.

If part II were ever activated would not the Administration find itself in a legal quicksand; and, far more important, Parliament carelessly have made itself less sovereign than the Executive?

Yours sincerely,
CHELWOOD,
House of Lords.

Helping club tennis

From Mr J. A. V. Wade

Sir, The tragedy of the game of tennis is not too much money (Fred Perry, June 13) but too much money in the wrong places. The earnings of the top players, after the first few hundred thousand dollars, are probably of little importance to them and certainly an irrelevant statistic so far as the game in this country is concerned.

More money is urgently required at club level to encourage juniors and in particular to provide all-season facilities. The number of covered courts is increasing slowly with the help of Sports Council grants, but the most provincial clubs can expect from the Wimbledon millions are relatively small low-interest loans from the LTA (Lawn Tennis Association).

As Fred Perry correctly states, there is an embarrassing surplus of money in the game. It *can* reach the grass roots but only if Wimbledon, the LTA, the players and promoters can agree upon a generous scheme for recycling this wealth.

Yours truly,
J. A. V. WADE,
Moor House,
Burley Woodhead,
Ilkley,
West Yorkshire.
June 14.

On the shelf

From Mr George Cunningham

Sir, *The Times* D[illegible]y of May 2 reported that the royal charter bestowed on the Library Association in 1898 had gone missing and that this was a particularly embarrassing thing to happen to the professional association of librarians, given their responsibility for the care of documents.

I am happy to inform you not only that the Library Association's charter has been found but that it was never lost. The charter was all along in the vault of the bank where it should be.

Unfortunately, because of an error made by the bank, the document had been booked out and not booked back in. Bankers, as well as librarians, ought to be good at such things and I am happy to tell you that on this occasion the librarians did all they should do and the banker did not.

Yours faithfully,
GEORGE CUNNINGHAM,
Chief Executive,
The Library Association,
Ridgmount Street, WC1.
June 20.

Chiaroscuro

From Lady Hale

Sir, If Willard White had got the part of Sparafucile in Jonathan Miller's *Rigoletto* (report, June 23) the production would no doubt have been boycotted by anti-racist organizations for casting its sole black singer as an assassin.

If the GLC really is going to supervise the casting policy of the ENO (English National Opera) perhaps it would be wiser to wait for a black Desdemona. Or what about a gay sado-masochist Romeo, Ridolfo or Alfredo?

This may be the silly season, but positive discrimination remains a serious cause and one that is only debased by this kind of bullying and self-advertising intervention.

Yours sincerely,
SHEILA HALE,
26 Montpelier Row,
Twickenham,
Middlesex.
June 23.



COURT AND SOCIAL

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
June 23: By command of The Queen, the Viscount Long (Lord in Waiting) was present at Heathrow Airport, London this evening upon the arrival of The President of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and Mrs Jayewardene and welcomed Their Excellencies on behalf of Her Majesty.

June 24: The Prince Andrew today attended the British Helicopter Championships organized by the Helicopter Club of Great Britain at Castle Ashby, Northamptonshire and presented the Championship prizes.

His Royal Highness was received on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Northamptonshire (Mr John Lowther) and the Chairman of the Club (Mr Robert Pooley).

The Prince Andrew, attended by Wing Commander Adam Wise, travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

KENSINGTON PALACE
June 23: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon was present this evening at a Ball held at the Brighton Centre, in aid of the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, of which Her Royal Highness is President.

Her Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by The Hon Mrs Whitehead.

June 24: The Duke of Gloucester was present this evening at a Son et Lumiere pageant at Moor Park, Rickmansworth.

Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Simon Bland was in attendance.

YORK HOUSE, ST JAMES'S PALACE
June 24: The Duke and Duchess of Kent arrived at Heathrow Airport, London this evening from the United States.

The Duke of Gloucester will visit the Great Yorkshire Show at Harrogate on July 10.

The Duke of Gloucester will be appointed a Senior Fellow of the Royal College of Art at its convocation on July 13.

The Duchess of Gloucester will attend an evening of music and dance in aid of "Leukaemia of 365" at Eton College on July 13.

Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucester will visit the East of England Agricultural Society Show at Peterborough on July 17.

The Duchess of Gloucester, as President of the National Children's Home, will visit its branch in Woking, Surrey, on July 17.

The Chairman and Trustees of the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Foundation of St Catherine's announce that, on the retirement of Lord Denning as Visitor of the foundation, Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, has accepted their invitation to assume the position.

A memorial service for Sir George Dunnett will be held at noon today at St Columba's, Pont Street.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr S. P. Hodson-Pressinger and Miss L. J. V. Clark

The engagement is announced between Selwyn Philip, son of the late Mr T. Philip Hodson-Pressinger and the Dowager Lady Torphichen, of Moore Street, SW3, and Luisa Jillian Victoria, daughter of Mr James Clark, of Pond Street, NW3, and Mrs Myra Clark, of Moscow Road, W2.

Mr R. J. Morrison and Miss L. M. Clothier

The engagement is announced between Robert, only son of Mr and Mrs A. M. Morrison, of Cordoba, Argentina, and Lucy, younger daughter of Sir Cecil Clothier and the late Lady Clothier, of the Temple, London.

Mr C. Bealby and Miss A. Mitcalfe

The engagement is announced between Christopher, eldest son of Mr and Mrs James Bealby, of North Lodge, Barrowby, Lincolnshire, and Arabella, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Hugh Mitcalfe, of Hilton Brodie, Forres, Moray.

Mr C. D. Boisseau and Miss S. E. Scott

The engagement is announced between Christopher, eldest son of Mr and Mrs David Boisseau, Forest Row, Sussex, and Sarah, only daughter of Mr John Scott, 32 Ann Street, Edinburgh, and the late Mrs Lora Scott.

Capt R. C. L. Clifford and Miss A. F. C. Thompson

The engagement is announced between Robin Clifford, 4/7 Royal Dragoon Guards, son of Colonel and Mrs N. D. Clifford, of Woodstock, Oxford, and Anne Fiona Caroline, daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Thompson, of Glebe House, Lulworth, Dorset.

Mr I. R. Lane and Miss S. L. Ramsay

The engagement is announced between Iain Robert, elder son of Mr and Mrs A. Lane, of Baildon, West Yorkshire, and Sarah Louise, daughter of Mr and Mrs L. S. Ramsay, of Barnhill, Dundee.

Mr D. A. Roach and Miss M. F. Key

The engagement is announced between David, elder son of Mr and Mrs K. Roach, of Paignton, Devon and Margaret, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs K. Key, of Abergavenny, Gwent.

Mr J. S. Shearer and Miss K. J. Neill

The engagement is announced between James, elder son of Mr and Mrs T. S. Shearer, of Ardsheal, Burnside Road, Giffnock, and Kirstie, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs S. L. Neill, of Finnich Malise, Croftamie, by Glasgow.

Mr O. R. Stone and Miss S. J. Bullivant

The engagement is announced between Owain, younger son of Mr and Mrs David Stone, of Bath, Avon, and Sarah, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Tim Bullivant, of Grafham, Guildford, Surrey.

Mr S. N. G. Patterson and Miss S. C. King

The engagement is announced between Simon, son of Mr M. G. Patterson, of Worplesdon, Surrey, and Mrs B. M. Patterson, of Bathurst Mews, London, and Susan Caroline, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs R. P. J. King of Wimborne, Dorset.

Marriages

Mr W. G. Lamarque and Lady Emma Primrose

The marriage took place on Saturday in St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, of Mr William Lamarque, younger son of the late Mr W. G. Larmarque and of Mrs Patricia Lamarque, of Elphin House, Coxwold, York, and Lady Emma Primrose, daughter of the Earl and Countess of Rosebery, of Dalmeny House, South Queensferry, West Lothian. The Very Rev Philip Crosfield officiated, assisted by the Rev John Burton.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by George and Archibald Drake, Pamela and Miranda Lampson, Emily and Henrietta Reid, Henrietta Cartwright, Alice Denny, Annabel Burn, Emma Gillam and Camilla Garton. Mr Henry Bellingham, MP, was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon will be spent in the south of France.

Mr J. P. Asquith and Miss S. A. Negretti

The marriage took place on Saturday at St Luke's, Sydney Street, Chelsea, of Mr Jonathan Paul Asquith, son of the Hon Paul Asquith, of London, SW, and Mrs James Bayley, of Wittersham, Kent, and Miss Sarah Ann Negretti, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter Negretti, of Farringdon, Hampshire. The Rev D. Watson officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by the Hon Esmond Bridgeman, Simon Kemp, Flora Montgomery and Emma Kemp. Mr Julian Burn-Callander was best man.

A reception was held at the Hyde Park Hotel and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Mr H. C. W. Robinson and Miss S. T. Faulkner

The marriage took place on Saturday at Holy Trinity, Cuckfield, Sussex, of Mr Henry Robinson, eldest son of Major E. R. W. Robinson and the late Hon Mrs Robinson, of Moorwood, Cirencester, and Miss Susan Faulkner, only daughter of Mr T. F. Faulkner and the late Mrs Faulkner, of Old Rectory Farm, Isfield, Sussex. The Rev E. Hayden officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by George Merrylees, Andrew Vernon, Arabella Cameron, Theresa Noel and Miss Chloe Sutton. Mr N. J. W. Robinson was best man.

Mr E. P. E. Reade and Miss L. A. Hayman

The marriage took place on Saturday, June 23, at the Priory Church of St Bartholomew the Great in the City of London between Mr Patrick Reade and Miss Louise Hayman.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of cream wild silk taffeta. Her sister, Mrs Jilly Bradshaw, attended her and Mr Rod Conway-Morris was best man.

A reception was held at the Great Hall, St Batholomew's Hospital and the honeymoon will be spent in Turkey and the Balkans.

Mr A. J. V. Villers and Miss S. A. Gotto

The marriage took place on Friday, June 15, in Cork between Mr Valentine Villers and Miss Sara Gotto.

The Anglican divorce lottery

By Clifford Longley, Religious Affairs Correspondent

The General Synod of the Church of England plunges once more into the divorce abyss at its meeting next month, hoping to snatch from the darkness some light.

The establishment, if one might so call those who control the church, want a solution which allows at least some divorced persons the possibility of a church wedding, and if one way out of the present maze is blocked they will cast around for another. The conservatives, who in this case are not the establishment, want to block every route until the establishment eventually give up.

That that is not just a synod game was well proved last January, when the ordinary clergy of the church instinctively reacted against the kind of solution which the church's principalities and powers had already decided upon. It was known, in typical synod jargon, as "Option G": all sorts of local clergymen, roused from their apathy towards all things synodical, reckoned it would make their lives intolerable, not least because of the paperwork. Option G crashed in flames.

For more than a decade, the Church of England has tried to find a consensus policy on the remarriage of the divorced, while a consensus obstinately refuses to form. There are two incompatible views. The bishops, whose latest proposals envisage remarriage for those who can run the gauntlet of about 10 conditions, actually recognize in their draft regulation that two views exist. If it was designed like that to reconcile opposites, it failed at once.

Nine bishops, and probably about a third of the church, will not be reconciled, for the nine bishops immediately declared war. If a formula exists which can serve as all things to all men, it has not yet been found; the draft regulation is already no more than a monument to that failure, and may as well vanish.

There are two remaining questions in the margin of this vexed divorce debate which have not yet been given much weight. One is whether the church should proceed with a fundamental change of pastoral policy, which, whatever its merits, is utterly unacceptable to a large minority. The other is whether the good done by such a change of policy, in the eyes of those who support it, outweighs the damage done by implementing such a policy in those particular circumstances.

Both questions are challenges to the usual proposition that if a thing is right, it must be done regardless. It has an attractive aura of righteous courage. Provided the dissenters in the church can muster less than exactly one-third of the votes in each house in the General Synod, they have to live with the decision: one vote, if that is all it takes, is enough to win the day.

That is the tyranny of the parliamentary system on which the General Synod has been uncritically modelled. It is, in fact, to submit "the mind of the church" to a lottery: it is also to deny the spirit of comprehensiveness of which the Church of England prides itself.

Comprehensiveness, in its better aspect, means not "unchurching" minorities but accommodating them. It means doing nothing which is against the conscience of a significant sector. It does not mean outmanoeuvring them by tricks of standing orders, nor out-voting them by a better whipping system. But in the cockpit of the General Synod's debates on controversial issues, that is exactly what it does mean.

The balance of the "good" against the "bad" once seemed overwhelmingly in favour of remarriage in church, provided such a policy could be introduced positively as an aid to society's better understanding of marriage. But time has taken away that opportunity; time and persistent dissent. Now, a concession towards the divorced will look like weakness.

It will look, in particular, like a concession to the well heeled middle classes, who want a fashionable church wedding even if it is not their first. The middle-class stigma against divorce seems now to have evaporated entirely, and all that remains is for the church to replace its frown with a smile.

No longer can the policy of remarriage in church be presented as a Christian act of befriending and supporting the outcast and stigmatized. Nor is there any longer any stigma attached to a register office wedding, such as could have justified a church wedding once.

Remarriage in church begins to look like an indulgence. It is very much an extra, not a necessity for the relief of some social pain. Not one single case has been produced of a person who has declined to be remarried, and remained single because the church would not perform the ceremony.

And that unfortunate impression will be greatly underlined if, under the present proposals from the House of Bishops, the church remarries only those it considers worthy. Remarriage in church will rapidly become a mark of respectability, available only to those in the vicar's favour, and to be highly valued as an advertisement of moral virtue.

That is not what the church wished or intended, but it will be the outcome. At least the previous proposals left that point vague. It might even be better to remarry everyone than pick and choose.

Birthdays today

Sir Jack Boles, 59; Mr Cyril Fletcher, 71; Lieutenant-General Sir Roland Guy, 56; Mr B. A. Harwood, QC, 81; Rear-Admiral Desmond Hoare, 74; Mr Hector Jacks, 81; Mr Eddie Large, 42; Mr Sidney Lumet, 60; Mr R. M. Morgan, 44; Lord Ravensdale, 61; Miss Doreen Wells, 47.

Christenings

The daughters and infant son of Mr and Mrs John Moorhouse were christened at the Church of St Peter and St Paul, Farningham on Sunday, June 17 by the Rev Dennis Sweetman. Lucy Jane's godparents are Mr Patrick Watts, Mrs Pamela Watts and Miss Joanna Lennon; Anna Victoria's are Mr and Mrs Watts and Mrs Judith Chalk; and James William Joseph's are Mr and Mrs Watts and Mr Brian Wright.

Latest wills

Duke of Beaufort's £3.6m estate

The tenth Duke of Beaufort, of Badminton, Master of the Horse, left unsettled estate valued at £3,656,862 net. He left his property mostly to his wife and his cousin, the eleventh Duke of Beaufort.

Mr Albert Dilnot Brian Narizzano, Plummers Plain, Horsham, West Sussex, left estate valued at £689,614 net.

Mrs Dorothy Maud Bayman, of East Hanningfield, Essex, left estate valued at £686,432.

Mr George Leonard Cullington, of Tickton, north Humberside, company director, left estate valued at £4,000,445 net.

Boutell, Mr Waynforth John, of Brill, Buckinghamshire £548,889

The Conservative father-and-son team in the European Parliament, Mr Peter Beazley (left) who represents Bedfordshire South, and Mr Christopher Beazley (Cornwall and Plymouth) met yesterday at Eastbourne for a family celebration of their double victory (Photograph: Bill Warhurst).

Memorial service

Mr M. Ormerod

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Medwyn Ormerod, a former director of Unilever, was held at the Church of St Bride, Fleet Street, on June 22. The Rector, Prebendary Dewi Morgan, officiated. The lesson was read by Mr K Durham and an address was given by Mr P. V. M. Egan. Among those present were:

Mrs Ormerod (widow), Mr David Ormerod and Mr John Ormerod (sons).

Mr and Mrs K Durham, Mr F A Mallens, Mr and Mrs M R Angus, Mr R W Archer, Mr and Mrs P V M Egan, Mr J Louden, Mr and Mrs F W L Mann, Mr and Mrs H Moll, Mr I E B Quarles van Ufford, Mr G F Sedcole, Mr A W P Stenham, Mr M D Snorell, Dr and Mrs J G Collingwood, Mr A H C Hill, Mr H A Holmes, Mr H F van den Hoven, Mr and Mrs J D Keir, Mr J D Mean, Sir David Orr, Sir Frederick Pedler, Mr and Mrs S G Sweetman, Sir Ernest and Lady Woodroofe, Mr C Zwagerman, Sir Patrick Macrory, Mrs R M Anderson, Mrs G E Graham, Mr and Mrs E J Creswell, Mr and Mrs A C Emmerson, Sir Daniel Pettit.

Miss P Chiodine, Mr and Mrs J H W Ormerod, Mr B Bickerton, Mr and Mrs M Flint, Mr and Mrs M Pitts, Mr and Mrs G C Ingram, Mr and Mrs G H Woolveridge, Major and Mrs J E Wallace, Mrs H van Altena, Miss M Brown, Sir David and Lady Lane, Mr and Mrs R M Robbins, Miss K J P Lowe, Mr R J P Fleming, Mr A A M Lowe, Mr R G Wilson, and friends and former colleagues from Unilever.

Appointments in the Forces

The Army

COLONELS: C J Dale to UAE as MR Adviser and SBLO, June 25; B P Daly to HQ E in C as Col, June 28; G A Hewish to USA as SLO, June 25; J A Pitara-Tomlin to MOD as Col, June 29.

LIEUTENANT-COLONELS: M G N Anderson, RA, to NDLS Canada as Exch Offr, June 25; R H R Cross, RHF, to HQ Allanshed as Dep Comd, June 25; I J Estwisle, RAPC, to RAPC Computer Centre as Systems Manager, June 28; A E Hooton, RE, to HQ Landmidhdly (BAOR) as SO1, June 27; G J Rawlins, REME, to MOD as SO1, June 25.

Retirement

Col J L W Gregan, late RAOC, June 26.

Royal Air Force

AIR VICE-MARSHAL: L A Jones, Assistant Chief of the Air Staff (Operations), June 1.

GROUP CAPTAINS (Acting Air Commodore): A E G Hales to become Director of Security and Provost Marshal (RAF), June 8; A T Johnson to Princess Alexandra's Hospital, Wroughton as OC, June 18; D M Waller to be Director of Supply Systems (RAF), June 8.

GROUP CAPTAIN: S X Morgan to HQ RAF Germany as C Elec Eng, June 25.

WING COMMANDERS: S M Nicholl to 228 OCU RAF Coningsby as Unit Cdr, June 29; R Northcote to CAJ Sqn as OC, July 1; P C Miller to MOD SER, June 28; K G Bennett to HQ NATO SO Eng, June 28; P J H C Lock to HQ RAFSC GT7, June 28; B C S Jones to Nato Wing School (Staff), Oberammergau, June 28; M L Ayres to PMRAF Hospital, Halton as SMO Surgery, May 29; N Mahoney to RAF Hospital Wegberg as SMO Surgery, May 30; R H Smith to PMANGRAF, MOD (AFD); DPM (Airmen), June 28.

SQUADRON LEADERS (Acting Wing Commander): J O Bates to RAF Finningley as OC Eng Wg, June 18; D C Andrews to RAF Finningley as OC Air Nav Wg 6FTS, June 28.

6th QEO Gurkha Rifles

Major-General D. Boorman, Colonel of the Regiment, attended celebrations to mark the fortieth anniversary of the Battle of Mogaung held by 6th QEO Gurkha Rifles on June 23 and 24 in Seria, Brunei. Veterans of the battle were present including Hon Lieutenant (QGO) Tulbahadur Pun who was awarded the VC for his part in the action.

Friends of Moorfields Eye Hospital

The Friends of Moorfields Eye Hospital thank all who supported their bridge tournament and have pleasure in announcing that Mr William Ryan, of Canonbury Square, N1, is the winner of the engraved glass goblet for 1984.

Latest appointments

Latest appointments include:
Mr David Nicholls to be promoted to Deputy Under Secretary (policy and programmes), in succession to Mr J. N. H. Blelloch on July 9.

Science report

Post-viral fatigue explained

By Pearce Wright Science Editor

A remarkable discovery by a medical research team at Oxford explains why people can feel tired, listless and exhausted for many days and even weeks after they have recovered from a virus infection such as influenza. When people say: "I have no energy to do anything", they are probably right. The intricate chemical reactions which breakdown the fuel to be turned into muscle power have gone wrong.

The discovery was made by a new procedure in medical diagnosis. For the first time, it allowed doctors to obtain a biochemical analysis of what was happening in the arm muscle of a patient at the instant he was asked to exercise.

A report on the discovery in *The Lancet* says the abnormality could not be identified with traditional methods, and the findings point to a newly identifiable mechanism of disease.

However, the detection of this abnormality depends on an examination using a method known as nuclear magnetic resonance, NMR, which is available at only a few medical centres, for making body scan pictures without using X-rays.

The new application of NMR for biochemical analysis of organs, without taking as much as a blood smear, not to mention a biopsy, is a tremendous advance.

The case report in *The Lancet* describes how it was used to measure the changes which took place in the high-energy phosphates in a patient. He had been suffering prolonged exhaustion and fatigue after a viral infection. Coincidentally, the patient was a general practitioner aged 30 who had been in good health until an attack of chickenpox at the age of 26.

Recovery hed never been complete. He was left with a general malaise. He was easily fatigued both physically and mentally and had a persistent feeling of unsteadiness.

Although most people get over the fatigue and exhaustion associated with viral illness, a small number of patients never recover and investigations have failed to provide an explanation of the symptoms.

The diagnosis of the doctor's syndrome was made by specialists at the Radcliffe Infirmary, Oxford, working with Professor George Radda, FRS, who has pioneered clinical magnetic resonance techniques.

The method works because elements and compounds have a distinct magnetic signature which can be produced by surrounding an object, in this case the arm, with a coil in which an intense magnetic field is generated.

In the new diagnostic procedure, the analysis allows doctors to compare the concentration of chemical compounds in the tissue with the values that should exist under normal conditions.

OBITUARY

COL RODERICK MACLEOD

Deception plans before D-Day

Colonel Roderick Macleod, DSO, MC, who died on June 17 at the age of 92, was the organizer of two deception operations to cover the Normandy landings in the months leading up to D-Day. These deceptions, the first of which led to the sending of German troops to Norway and the second of which kept the German High Command in continual apprehension of a main thrust in the Pas de Calais, played a significant role in the easing of the path of the actual Allied landings in Normandy.

Macleod, who had been educated at Rugby and the RMA Woolwich, had been commissioned in the Royal Field Artillery before the First World War during which he served on the Somme and at Passchendaele, and was one of the pioneers in the use of aircraft for artillery spotting.

At the outbreak of the Second World War he was Military Assistant on the staff of Field Marshal Sir Edmund (later Lord) Ironside, the first CIGS of the war.

He had been an umpire at the army manoeuvres on the Yorkshire Moors in February 1944 when he was told to report to GHQ Home Forces in London, and the first of two plans for deceiving the Germans as to the Allies' real intentions for the summer of 1944 was put to him.

Macleod was to organize a notional army of three corps based on Scotland, which was to adopt a posture consistent with an intention to invade Norway. Thus the Fourth Army came into being with an imaginary strength of nine divisions and equally imaginary plans to seize and occupy Southern Norway, capture Oslo and then advance to the iron ore fields of Gallivare in Sweden, thus strangling the steel production so vital to the German war effort.

Throughout March and April 1944 a skilfully counterfeited signal traffic between the somewhat sketchier forces Macleod actually did have under his aegis combined with manoeuvres in which recorded signal voices made up the lack of man power and "live" signal activity convinced the Germans that the Allies had in fact serious intentions against Norway and three further divisions were sent there before D-Day, taking German strength there to 12 divisions, all but one of which stayed in Norway throughout the Normandy landings.

When this bluff had been in operation for as long as was thought prudent, the Fourth Army then switched its attentions to France, this time using the same techniques to "threaten" the Pas de Calais, thus diverting German attention there.

Here plans were for landings on the beaches at Etaples and between Calais and Dunkirk and the deception again was so convincing that the phantom armies massing for these assaults in the South east of England were subjected to attack by German V weapons.

This plan was so successful – chiming in as it did with deep seated convictions in some quarters in the OKW that the Pas de Calais was the natural spot for an Allied assault – that even after the weight of the Normandy landings was appreciated, they were still believed by some sections of the German command, to be a feint.

After the Pas de Calais deception had ceased to be necessary the Fourth Army continued to pose secondary invasions "threats", to the Low Countries and to Denmark.

In retirement Macleod edited (with Denis Kelly) *The Ironside Diaries*, published in 1962.

PROFESSOR SIR IDRIS FOSTER

Professor Sir Idris Foster, FSA, who died on June 18 at the age of 72 at Bangor in Gwynedd, had been Jesus Professor of Celtic in the University of Oxford from 1947 to 1948. But preeminent though he was in this field he was also a scholar whose interests ranged far beyond the confines of his own discipline, embracing for example theology, liturgy and archaeology.

In his native Wales he will be particularly remembered for his skilful presidency of the Court of the National Eisteddfod of Wales in the mid-1970s, at a time of economic and organisational difficulties for the Eisteddfod, and for his services to the National Library of Wales.

Idris Llywelyn Foster was born at Bethesda, Caernarvonshire, on July 23, 1911. He was educated at the Bethesda County School and the University College of North Wales, Bangor, where he graduated with First Class Honours in Welsh in 1932. In 1935 he was awarded his MA with distinction for a dissertation of outstanding merit on the medieval Welsh tale *Culhwch ac Olwen*.

This was followed in the same year by his election to a fellowship of the University of Wales and a session spent in Dublin studying Old Irish, Comparative Philology, Archaeology and Folk Culture.

In 1936 he relinquished his fellowship on being appointed Head of the Department of Celtic at the University of Liverpool in succession to Professor J. Glyn Davies. His work there consisted mainly in directing research, with a limited amount of teaching at undergraduate level. In 1946 he became Warden of Derby Hall, the University's hall of residence for men students.

During the Second World War he spent three and a half years in the Naval Intelligence Division of the Admiralty.

The climax of his career was his appointment to the Jesus Professorship of Celtic in the University of Oxford and a Fellowship at Jesus College in the same year. It was no small tribute to his personality and scholarship that in 1950 the chair was elevated to "Schedule A". He was a greatly respected member of the College and on his retirement in 1978 was elected an Honorary Fellow.

Foster was a member of the Museums and Galleries Commission (formerly the Standing Commission on Museums and Galleries), and of the Royal Commission on Ancient Monuments in Wales. He was associated with several learned societies, having been a member of the Council of the Philological Society, President of the Society for the study of Medieval Languages and Literatures, and Honorary Treasurer and subsequently President of the Irish Texts Society. He was also Chairman of the Gwynedd Archaeological Trust.

In 1950 he was invited to deliver the Sir John Rhys Memorial Lecture to the British Academy, and took as his subject "The Book of the Anchorite of Llanddewi Brefi". He was the O'Donnell lecturer at the University of Edinburgh in 1960 and at the University of Wales in 1971-72. He delivered the G. J. Williams memorial Lecture at University College Cardiff in 1973.

At Oxford he was Chairman of the Modern Languages Board and of the Anthropology and Geography Board. (He was also a Select Preacher in 1973-74 and a James Ford Special Lecturer in 1979.)

Foster served his native Wales in many capacities. He acted as External Examiner in Welsh and in Welsh History for the University of Wales, and in 1952 he was appointed Honorary Editor of the Transactions of the Honourable Society of Cymmrodorion. He was elected President of the Cambrian Archaeological Association for 1968-69.

He rendered outstanding service to two Welsh national institutions. He was successively Chairman of the Council and President of the Court of the National Eisteddfod of Wales, at a time when monetary inflation was a serious threat to the future of this gigantic annual undertaking. His sevice to the National Library of Wales was initially in the office of Treasurer, to which he was appointed in 1964, and in which of Treasurer, to which he was appointed in 1964, and in which he contributed with great skill to the good management of that institution's finances; in recent years he was Vice-President of the National Library. The essentially practical turn of mind of this erudite scholar became evident in the discharge of all his administrative duties.

He was co-editor with Leslie Alcock of *Culture and Environment*, which appeared in 1963, and, with Glyn Daniel of *Prehistoric and Early Wales*, published in 1965, he himself contributing the chapter entitled "The Emergence of Wales".

Foster reigned supreme in the study of medieval Welsh narrative prose. His life-long researches on the notoriously difficult *Culhwch ac Olwen* commanded universal respect. He was an expert on many aspects of the study of the Celtic languages and their literatures and the wide range of topics on which his postgraduate students at Oxford worked reflect in part the breadth of his own learning.

He was an enthusiastic teacher who attracted to Oxford a most remarkable succession of able young scholars. His finest and most enduring contribution to scholarship was his patient, kindly and thoughtful guidance of his students.

Foster, who was knighted in 1977, was unmarried.

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Parliament this week

Commons. Today (2.30): London Regional Transport Bill, Lords amendments. Dartmoor Commons Bill, second reading.
Tomorrow (2.30): Rates Bill, Lords amendments. Roads (Scotland) Bill, completion of remaining stages. Northern Ireland Orders.
Wednesday (2.30): Debate on Government's response to Home Affairs Select Committee report on Representation of the People Acts.
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Select committees: Today: Environment. Subject: Acid rain. Witness: Forestry Commission (4.30).
Public accounts. Subject: Quality control over Inland Revenue district office procedures. Witness: Sir Laurence Airey, Inland Revenue (4.45).
Tomorrow: Education, science and arts. Subject: Achievement in primary schools. Witness: Her Majesty's Inspectors of Schools (10.30).
Wednesday: Scottish affairs. Subject: Highlands and Islands Development Board. Witnesses: Nature Conservancy Council; Countryside Commission for Scotland (10.30).
Trade and Industry. Subject: Wealth of waste inquiry. Witness: Leeds City Council (10.30).
Welsh affairs: Subject: Cancer treatment in North Wales. Witnesses: The Welsh Office Health and Social Work Department (10.30); Medical Representatives (11.15); Department of Health and Social Security/Merseyside Regional Health Authority (12).
Environment. Subject: Acid rain. Witness: Natural Environment Research Council (3.45).
Public accounts. Subject: Cost effectiveness of Inland Revenue. Witness: Sir Laurence Airey, Inland Revenue (4.15).
Social Services. Subject: Community care with special reference to adult mentally ill and mentally handicapped people. Witnesses: British Psychological Society; Royal College of Psychiatrists (4.15).
Employment. Subject: Training. Witnesses: Engineering Industry Training Board; General Electric Company; Vickers; Ford Motor Company (4.30).

Lords. Today (2.30): Trade Union Bill, committee, second day. Child Abduction Bill, report.
Tomorrow (2.30): Police and Criminal Evidence Bill, committee, first day. Trade Union Bill, committee, third day.
Wednesday (2.30): Debate on civil aviation. Video Recordings Bill, third reading.
Thursday (3): Local Government (Interim Provisions) Bill, committee, first day.
Friday (11): Co-operative Development Agency and Industrial Development Bill, second reading. Data Protection Bill, Commons amendments.
Select committees. Thursday, EEC subcommittee F (Energy, Transport, Technology and Research). Evidence from the Department of Trade and Industry on ESPRIT (11).

Progress of legislation

Commons. June 19: Rent Acts (Amendment) Bill read first time. June 20: Registration and Accountability of Charities Bill read first time. Roads (Scotland) Bill considered in committee and adjourned. June 21: Portsea Harbour Company Bill read third time. Piece Hall, Halifax (No 2) Bill read second time by 67 votes to 37. Housing Defects Bill passed remaining stages.

Lords. June 18: London Transport (Tower Hill) Bill read third time and passed. British Railways (No 2) Bill read second time. London Regional Transport Bill and Rates Bill read third time and passed. Video Recordings Bill completed report stage. June 19: Parliamentary Pensions etc Bill read first time. Building Bill read second time. Child Abduction Bill passed committee stage. Trade Union Bill considered in committee and adjourned. June 20: Cycle Tracks Bill passed report stage. June 21: Capital Transfer Tax Bill (Consolidation) read third time and passed. Health and Social Security Bill further considered in committee. June 22: Juries (Disqualification) Bill passed Report Stage. Ordnance Factories and Military Services Bill read second time.

Church news

The Rev G Smith, Diocesan Social Responsibility Adviser and priest-in-charge of St Andrew's, Newcastle, diocese of Newcastle, to be also an Honorary Canon of Newcastle Cathedral.

The Rev J L Smith, assistant curate of St Giles, Ollerton with Boughton, diocese of Southwell, to be priest-in-charge, St Peter, Farndon, and St Laurence, Thorpe, same diocese.

The Rev C Stone, curate of St Mark's, Bromley, diocese of Rochester, to be priest-in-charge, Burgh-by-Sands, Kirkbampton and Kirkandrews-on-Eden with Beaumont and Grinsdale, diocese of Carlisle.

The Rev D F Staveley, assistant curate of Danbury, diocese of Chelmsford, to be priest-in-charge, Little Hallingbury, same diocese.

The Rev J S Sexton, Vicar of Walthamstow, St John, diocese of Chelmsford, to be Vicar of Stebbing with Lindsell, same diocese.

The Rev J C Whetham, Rector of Swanborough Team Ministry, diocese of Salisbury, to be also Rural Dean of Pewsey.

University news

Glasgow

Honorary degrees have been conferred on the following:
DD: Professor Eduard Lohse, Bishop of Hanover.
LLD: Mr Robert Clark, Chairman of the Stock Conversion and Investment Trust; and Mr Michael Kelly, Lord Provost of Glasgow, 1980-84.
DLitt: Mr Iain Crichton Smith, author and poet; Mr Bill Forsyth, film director and producer; Professor Ninian Smart, professor of religious studies, Lancaster University.
DSc: Professor Akito Arima, professor of physics, Tokyo University; Sir Ian Alexandet McGregor, President of the Royal Society of Tropical Medicine; Professor Gordon Barry Pierce, professor of pathology, Colorado University.
Dr John C. Brown has been appointed to the newly established chair of astrophysics from October 1. He is presently reader in the department of astronomy.

Society of Medical Ethics

The Trustees of the Nuffield Foundation have made an award to the Society for the study of Medical Ethics of £33,090 over two years for a study of the teaching of medical ethics.

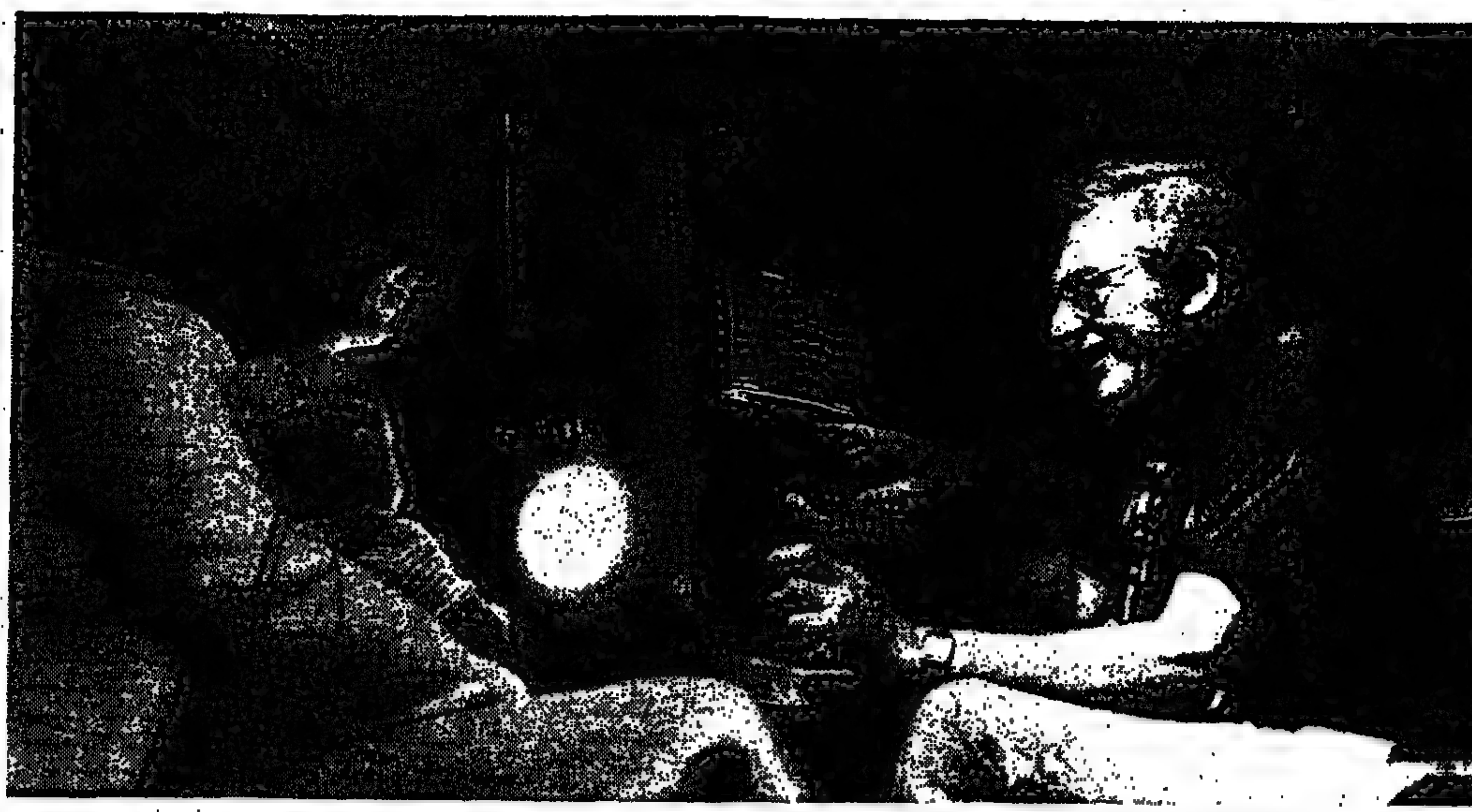
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A SPECIAL REPORT

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Aston University





Aston in Birmingham, established as a university in 1966, and right, an example of the work that keeps it in the technological lead, Professor Geoffrey Harding monitors a child's sight by computer, story, – P15

"Aston is emerging from the vicissitudes of the 1981-84 period as a smaller but vital university, selecting only highly qualified students for its programmes, and preparing them for demanding careers in industry and commerce; in that regard, it is expected that its graduate placement record will continue to be outstanding."

That is the judgment of Professor Frederick Crawford, Vice Chancellor of the University of Aston in Birmingham – Britain's leading technological university – of the struggle and achievements involved in complying with the severe cuts imposed on staffing levels and student numbers by the University Grants Committee (UGC) in 1981.

Though astonished that such a sacrifice could be demanded of a university which by any standards, could play a leading role in Britain's future industrial regeneration, Professor Crawford said it set about the task "boldly and decisively".

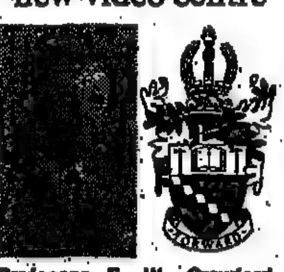
Since then he has been unstinting in his praise of Aston. It had hardly seemed possible, he said, that the fundamental activities of the university – in teaching, scholarship and research – could develop towards new heights of excellence, but that is what had happened. The daunting task of restructuring the university's academic base on which the "future" University of Aston would arise, had been well in hand only two years after the cuts were announced.

But Professor Crawford is now desperately worried that further severe cuts – perhaps as much as 30 per cent over a decade – could be on the way, applied by government on the basis of assumptions about the decline in the 18-year-old population between now and the 1990s.

Aston was one of the hardest-treated universities in the cuts by the UGC, the body which distributes government money to the universities. The 30 per cent grant cut meant reductions of nearly a third in staff numbers, which then stood at 500 academic and about 1,000 non-academic. That task is now virtually complete and the university has not had to resort to compulsory redundancy – it initiated a £3m buy-out scheme.

The cut in student numbers, originally to be 22 per cent, was increased to 30 per cent and reductions in intake were started immediately. Aston now has 4,041 full-time students, 2,829 men and 1,212 women.

Britain's leading technological university today extends its courses to off-campus students with the opening of a new video centre



Professor F. W. Crawford, Vice Chancellor and Aston's crest

In the decade before the cuts were announced, Aston had seen a 75 per cent growth in student numbers and was already under severe financial restraint. In fact the growth had occurred in anticipation of increased funding. It was to be the most traumatic period in the university's history and the cuts and faculty and departmental restructuring that followed reached into almost every corner of the campus.

A revised academic plan was drawn up in 1981-82 to ensure that future academic developments should be "quality driven". Least promising programmes were to be discontinued.

The emphasis on qualtiy paid dividends. A-level grades achieved by undergraduates had been lower than the average at Aston but after the UGC cuts they rose nationally and even faster at Aston – by three A-level points between 1980 and 1983. The demand for higher standards went hand in hand with the growing popularity of Aston. Some courses, particularly engineering, attracted up to 45 applicants per place last year and the average number for places has been above the national average, for serveral years.

Applications for combined honours at Aston also increased – from 1,300 last year to 2,300 this. The overall level of applications this year is up by about 6 per cent.

Aston's reputation as a modern technological university with courses across a wide range of science, technology, engineering and management subjects, renowned research programmes and post-graduate studies has ensured a high degree of success for its students seeking employment after graduation, even at a time of industrial decline and high unemployment. More than half of its students are involved in sandwich courses. It has consistently come near the top of the league table of graduate employment – over a seven-year period it emerged as the third most successful and in more recent figures moved into second place behind Cambridge.

Professor Crawford believes that at least some of the gloom of the "sad and depressing" period after the announcement of the 1981 cuts was relieved by two major initiatives. The first was the creation of Aston Science Park, a "nursery" for the high-technology ideas of budding entrepreneurs intended to assist them through development to commercialization.

Aston joined Birmingham City Council and Lloyds Bank (both of which put up £1m for a venture capital fund) in creating the park, whose tenants have close and vital links with the research and academic expertise on the adjoining campus.

At the time of the cuts the university put aside funds for a centre for extension education, specializing in a new project, tutored video instruction (TVI), used to record lectures which can be sold as a package and replayed in the workplace or at home.

Using TVI, the university can make modules, or whole degree programmes, for off-campus "students". The project offers the university an almost limitless potential audience outside.

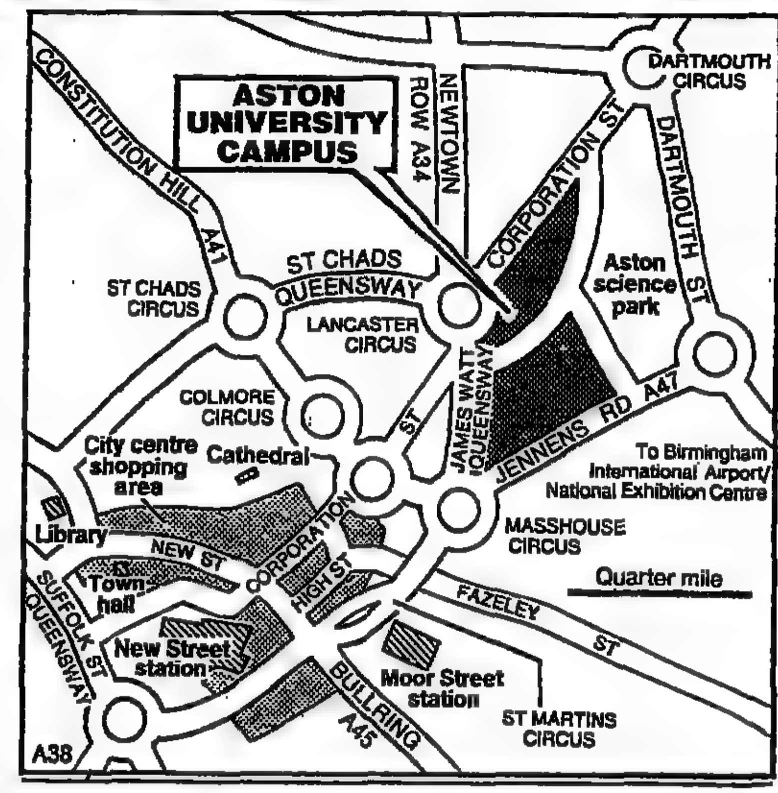
He is concerned with the real needs of industry. The great "metal-bashing" industries which gave Birmingham and the West Midlands their prosperity have been in massive decline. He said: "We have roughly 30 per cent of the manufacturing capacity of the country in this area – about 13,000 small firms, lots of them using antiquated techniques. They desperately need updating and upgrading and the university has a role to play."

But, he is becoming increasingly worried that further, major cuts in higher education may be on the way. A study has been initiated, involving all universities via a questionnaire from the UGC whose questions have led Professor Crawford to believe that a revised strategy for higher education could link new cuts in university spending to the one-third reduction in the 18-year-old population between now and the middle of the 1990s.

He believes it could involve a further third reduction in government funds to the universities over the next decade. A detailed and lengthy response to the UGC – in which nearly half of Aston's academic staff took part – seriously questions whether the decline in the number of candidates for entry to higher education will be as high as assumed and warns that the decline in the 18-year-old population will not be permanent.'

Professor Crawford added: "Aston must fight on behalf of the entire university system at every opportunity, but its prime responsibility is to itself; to flourish as a high-quality technological university. Britain desperately needs to tackle the ever more complex problems of a technological society."

Craig Seton



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Support. Through the tutoring system and course notes, the university provides a full back-up facility.

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- **MSc in Computer Aided Design for Manufacture**
- **Chemotherapy**

Further courses will also be made available. In addition, the Centre offers a number of short courses in specialised subjects which can lead to certification.

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The Centre for Extension Education

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A SPECIAL REPORT

TVI: putting a professor in the workplace

The University of Aston's Centre for Extension Eucation will be opened by Sir Keith Joseph, the Secretary of State for Education and Science, today. Craig Seton asked its director Dr Patricia Fleetwood-Walker to explain the Tutored Video Instruction (TVI) method which is at the heart of the project.

What is TVI and how will it work?

● Answer: Tutored video instruction is a method of taking university courses to the workplace, using small-group teaching to provide refresher courses for professional-level employees. The potential market is very wide. It could be a new recruit, for instance to an information technology-related industry or an executive or professional person who needs to update his technical knowledge or retrain, very important at a time of rapid technological advances.

The essence of TVI is that regular on-campus courses can be shared with a wider clientele. Lectures given to on-campus classes are already being unobtrusively recorded on videotape using sophisticated equipment in three lecture halls in the centre. The video will be only one component of a whole package of course materials, including case studies, handouts and "floppy" discs.

The TVI method was first used at Stanford University in California, where it has proved its worth. Professor Crawford, Aston's Vice Chancellor, was at Stanford for 20 years and when he came to Aston he suggested that we should examine its potential.

What happens when the TVI package leaves the university?

● The package is bought by a company or public-sector institution. The idea is that their employees gather in small groups, ideally between three and eight, to view the video when points come up which the group may not understand. Though the tutor will have a sound background knowledge of the subject, he does not need to be an expert and he can always contact the campus to sort out problems.

What kind of courses will be available?

● Postgraduate and specialist short courses. We are currently discussing with commerce and industry four packages: an MSc in Information Technology, Master of Business Administration, a foundation course on the scientific basis of chemotherapy and MSc in computer-aided design. We are also starting a series of short courses tailor-made for teachers.

TVI students will undertake the same homework and examinations as campus students and, if successful, will be graduates in precisely the same way. We plan to organize summer schools and other events so they can meet their "on screen" lecturers.

Surely a university's prime responsibility is to its on-campus students? In these days of severe financial curbs on university spending, are you not risking valuable resources?

● The university has spent £500,000 on TVI in building and equipment costs and it will cost about £200,000 a year to run. That may sound a lot, but I am budgeting for sufficient income from the sale of courses to cover our annual costs by 1987-88. A full Masters package, about 350 hours of teaching material, will cost our customers between £3,500 and £4,000 for each registered student, depending on the subject.

Bearing in mind that that is a full year's study and equivalent to two or three years of part-time study, and that the contents are the latest from our academic staff, I think that is good value for money.

As to the first part of the question, our internal students certainly will not lose out. Rather the reverse. They will enjoy the benefits of new lecture facilities.

Dr Patricia Fleetwood-Walker, director of the Centre for Extension Education: "Tutored video instruction is a method of taking university courses to the workplace . . . and the potential market is wide"

Is the intention merely to make money for the university or will Aston benefit in others ways?

● Our chief reason for establishing the centre is academic. We are already providing many courses geared to the needs of industry and commerce and we want to increase our close links. A technological university such as Aston and its future are inexplicably linked to the changing needs of industry.

How much interest has been shown in TVI by potential customers?

● A great deal, considering that we have just started marketing. We are in discussion with more than 70 companies and organizations, including multi-nationals, in the UK and there is interest abroad but we want to develop the method here first.

Would it be unkind to suggest that this is just "Open University" learning with video thrown in?

● The open university courses are largely print-based, first-degree level and designed for the individual student, whereas TVI is largely video-based, postgraduate and specialist in level and designed for group study in companies.

What are the potential further applications of TVI in this country?

● An exciting possibility for the future is a live television link between the university and the premises of a customer company, enabling a two-way exchange of views and questions and answers between lecturers and their off-campus students. It is also likely that in time collaboration will develop between higher education institutions specializing in similar or complimentary subjects.

Why some like it tough

Aston University has a well-established schools liaison office to advise head teachers, careers teachers, training officers and sixth-formers on university entry and a careers and appointment service for students and graduates to help them plan a career strategy.

Potential applicants are left in little doubt that the standards expected of them at Aston are tough, but that successful completion of degree courses offers considerable employment rewards.

Some courses, such as engineering, attracted up to 45 applicants for each place for October 1983, and the average number of applicants per place has been above the national average for several years.

The lowest A-level grades offered to potential undergraduates for 1984 were CCC, although most departments demanded minimum grades of BBC. Even so, tough standards have done nothing to stem the flow of new applicants – quite the reverse in fact, and many more women are coming forward attempting to join courses traditionally male-dominated.

The percentage of Aston graduates still unemployed in December of the year in which they graduated was less than half the national average in four out of five years – a success rate attributed to the large number of students on sandwich courses and involved in studies designed as a preparation for professional work.

Mrs Veronica Warner, careers and appointments officer, said that despite grades demanded of applicants, the rate of applications was up by about 6 per cent this year – more than 14,000 applicants chasing about 850 places.

"We are teaching popular subjects – management and engineering courses, opthalmic and pharmacy."

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Spreading the word by silicon

The "brain" of Aston University is the Computer Centre, which directs a flow of information electronically between departments, and with other universities both in this country and the United States.

Set up 15 years ago the centre enables researchers to have a desk-top terminal with access to a variety of computers both at the university and elsewhere.

In the last 12 months, Aston University has spent a great deal of time investigating how to provide all staff with a work station linked in with the computer network.

Ken Bowcock, head of the computer centre since its foundation, said: "All universities are using computers to some extent, but we like to think we are ahead."

Electro-messages

The centre is housed in purpose-built premises. The engineering department remains the main user of its facilities, but there had been an increasing need for information to be relayed between departments.

Each morning, departments can take data out of the computer where it has been left by others in an electronic-message system. Departments have access to a range of computers, five of them at Aston itself. The most powerful is an ICL 1900 – due for replacement next year under the computer board's 10-year policy.

Aston has been one of the universities pressing for a seven-year replacement policy because of the rapid developments in computer hardware.

In the past 18 months, Aston has spent about £1m in enhancing its computer facilities, including equipment for the library.

The inter-departmental computer network is now linked up with MIDNET, which is the regional network of universities. Aston is connected with the universities of Birmingham, Warwick, Nottingham, Leicester and Loughborough.

Two Midland universities have access to powerful computers at Manchester University, and through MIDNET Aston has access to Manchester as well.

Aston University also has access to JANET – the Joint Academic Network, which includes research council establishments. By 1985 all British universities will be linked to the system.

The latest development is the ability of researchers at Aston and some other British universities to be linked with ARPA, the computer network between leading universities in the US.

The computer centre is also an academic department which is responsible for teaching and research in computer science.

At post-graduate level it offers a six-month diploma course, a 12-month MSc course in computer science with applications and a 12-month MSc course in information technology.

Tony Willard

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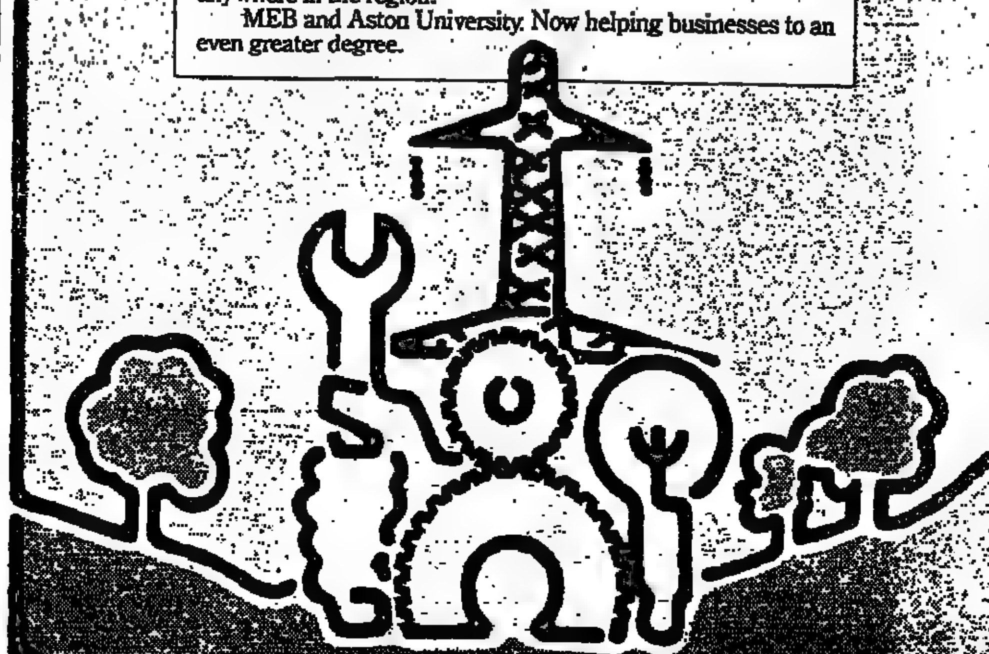
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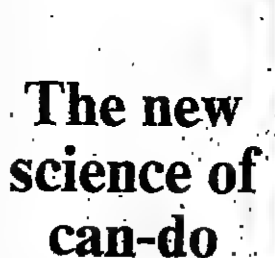
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The new science of can-do





Dr Gerald Hunt, director of the management centre, in action: it is now considered western Europe's biggest, with about 650 undergraduates alone

Dr Gerald Hunt, dean of the Faculty of Management and Policy Sciences – Aston University's management centre – believes that it is still possible for potential managers to start at the bottom in business and work their way up, but increasingly it is becoming a remote opportunity.

The centre, developed from the department of industrial administration, was established in its own right only 12 years ago and the manner in which it has so quickly established a first-rate reputation is testimony to the wide acceptance of management as a university subject.

The centre, which escaped the ravages of the 1981 cuts, is now regarded as the largest management centre in western Europe and its students represent about one fifth of Aston's total student population.

There are about 650 undergraduate students, 350 postgraduate and the equivalent of about 100 full-time students in post experience. More than 180 are studying for PhDs.

Dr Hunt believes that the faculty's strengths in those three programmes and its powerful doctoral programme are very much at the centre of its success and explain why there are something like 2,500 applications for only 200 places a year, in spite of the demand for increasingly higher grades.

In postgraduate studies, it was one of the pioneers of a part-time master of business administration course intended for executives and based on a programme of intensive subject "modules".

Dr Hunt said: "I think basically we have attracted a very good academic staff with good management experience. We provide the courses which enable students to acquire skills in demand, such as in international marketing, finances, information management and operations management.

"We identify the growth points where we know there wil be a growing demand for graduates with business qualifications. We have representatives of business and commerce on our boards, we visit companies and at undergraduate level our students are on sandwich courses".

He added: "We are not an ivory tower university. We get visits from managers and our staff get seconded to business. They are all working with the practical problems of industry, nevertheless we ensure a high quality of education".

While Aston university has climbed back into second place in the annual league table of graduate employment – those finding jobs after completing their courses – Dr Hunt says: "We have no unemployment problems at all. Our best graduates get half a dozen offers and the worse ones get at least one".

He said that research was becoming an increasingly important element of the centre, and recently it had secured a number of major contracts for research both from industry and the public sector.

He believes the matrix structure, rather than a rigid departmental one, has enabled it to develop the flexibility essential to react to the changing needs of modern industry and management.

The last decade has also witnessed changing social trends that have affected the centre. About 35 per cent of undergraduates are now women (only 15 per cent in 1974.)

Dr Hunt added:

"We are also getting an increasing proportion of application from public schools. About 20 years ago they went into the traditional academic subjects but now their students are increasingly turning to management. It suggests that their career advisers are taking a more enlightened view of management as worth studying".

The centre has capitalized, if not helped to create, that growing acceptance of management studies at university, whether from 18-year-olds looking to their first step into business or established managers and executives seeking to polish and add to their acquired skills.

"I would not like to think that management would ever be completely professional. Starting at the bottom and working your way up is still possible in business, but it is becoming an increasingly remote possibility. The more conventional method of getting into management now is to get to university and to get a degree."

Dr Hunt and his staff see many of their students leave to join multinational companies, mainly because of career prospects and higher salaries. But at the other end of the scale there is a movement which holds out hope for the regeneration of British industry – very frequently they go into small companies which require considerable reorganization to make them commercially and financially viable.

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Yes, we have green bananas

Tony Willard looks at the wide range – and applications of new research

Research at Aston University covers everything from video nasties to making vacuum cleaners quieter, and from curing ulcers with green bananas to aiding babies' with defective sight.

The university has a worldwide reputation and about 10 per cent of its income is in the form of contracts or grants to support projects and research students. The funding comes from research councils, government departments, industry and institutions. Last year research grants and contracts totalled £2.3m and that was almost exactly one tenth of the university's income for 1983.

Professor Keith Foster, pro-vice-chancellor, said the scope of research at Aston was wide but the main thrust was still in bringing new life to industry.

While the Science Park was providing research for new companies which would eventually go out into the region, Aston Technical Management Planning Services was "pushing in a more logical way", Professor Foster said.

With a modest turnover of £200,000 a year, it was concentrating on research in key areas, such as computer-orientated design and analysis, microprocessor applications, flexible manufacturing systems, and materials for manufacture.

Aston has helped with the installation of robots to spray non-stick coating on cooking pans. This process not only means the job is carried out more efficiently, but relieves people of the need to work in an unpleasant environment.

Research at Aston covers a multitude of subjects, and of recently published findings, a three-year study showing that green bananas can both cure and prevent stomach ulcers was given prominent coverage in the national press.

Dr David Lewis, senior lecturer, department pharmacy, experimenting with green bananas to prevent stomach ulcers

The research team established that bananas cured ulcers in animals, and that a diet of banana powder prevented their formation. It discovered that the banana stimulated the growth of mucosa cells in the stomach lining, maintaining the protective barrier against stomach acid and also healed ulcers already formed.

March saw the formal opening of new laboratories for the Cancer Research Campaign Experimental Chemotherapy Research Group in the department of pharmacy.

The group was formed in 1980 with the aim of discovering new anti-cancer drugs and putting them into clinical use as soon as possible. Since then four new agents have been developed.

The new laboratories include facilities to work with cytotoxic drugs and radio active material. They have been provided entirely by the Cancer Research Campaign at a cost of £540.000. The campaign also supports the research activities of the group by funding the salaries and running costs with an annual grant – currently £268.000.

Aston University's new Public Sector Management Research Unit has won a £68.000 contract from the Department of the Environment. It will carry out a major review of the Birmingham Inner City Partnership Programme.

Baby tests

A second grant from the Manpower Services Commission has been awarded to the management centre's applied psychology division to do research into accidents (particularly fatalities) on the Youth Training Scheme.

Under the same government "new blood" initiative with the University Grants Committee, the university's opthalmic optics department has a new lectureship in eye movement mechanisms. The department is developing new techniques for the delicate task of assessing sight defects in babies. The work involves clinically "at risk" babies, some premature and some already wearing soft contact lenses.

The methods being employed include the use of projected patterns and the measurement of brain response to light patterns. A system is being developed for projecting patterns on to babies' hands to test vision, as is a method of testing premature babies in incubators by special projection.

More than a venture playground

There was special satisfaction at one of the latest entrepreneurs to set up business at Aston Science Park – the Birmingham-based "nursery" for fledgling high-technology companies. The managing director of Tech-Ni Plant is not only a woman – Shirley Hamilton, aged 27 – but a graduate of Aston.

The science park, now in its second year of operation, was created from a partnership of Birmingham City Council and Lloyds Bank, each of which put up £1m to establish a "venture capital fund", and the university itself.

There are now a dozen new companies based in the first phase development of the science park, housed in a splendidly refurbished former warehouse close to Aston University and within a mile of Birmingham city centre.

The science park is managed by Birmingham Technology, created out of the partnership between the city, Lloyds Bank and the university. Its aim is to ease the creation of new companies seeking to take high-technology ideas through development to commercialization.

Not only does the park offer the kind of facilities usually associated with a well-established business enterprise – conference rooms, telex, secretarial services, audiovisual aids, public relations and space – it offers access to the venture capital fund, through which Birmingham Technology can take out an equity stake and, importantly, to the close and vital research and development support from the university and its academic staff.

Tech-Ni Plant, Miss Hamilton's new company, is involved in ion implementation, a cost-effective method of prolonging tool life. It is involved in treating tooling components from companies in the plastics moulding industry.

Miss Hamilton is completing her PhD in Aston's metallurgy and materials engineering department. For the last three years she has been working at the Lucas Research Centre where she has been responsible for Lucas's ion implementation project. Her company has strong research links with the department of metallurgy and materials engineering at Aston, and Professor Terry Barnby, head of the department, is the academic consultant on the project.

Birmingham Technology has an equity stake and loan investment in Tech-Ni Plant and the rest of the funding came through Lloyds Bank under the Government's loan guarantee scheme.

Two other companies which have recently set up in the science park's phase one "incubator" units are Condensing Boilers, which is developing a new gas-fired domestic heating boiler, and, MCT Association, which specializes in computerized precision measuring equipment. Birmingham Technology has an equity stake in both enterprises through the venture capital-fund.

Birmingham Technology has also provided the finance for Techsonix (UK), a science park tenant, to launch a microcomputer system for the construction industry. The system enables takeoffs and estimates to be made direct from architectural drawings by use of a sonic digitizer pen.

Rodney Banting, managing director, said: "We have now started installing the system in clients' premises and it is proving a boost to productivity. It is a case of applying new technology to a time-consuming task which traditionally has been a manual operation."

David Drake, Lloyds bank's regional general manager in Birmingham, said: "Aston Science Park is unique in this country because it is the only one with a venture capital fund. Lloyds started in Birmingham as a bank so we feel linked to the city. We could also see that traditional industry was suffering and shared the view that we must attract new technology industry".

Mr Drake said that after not much more than 12 months there were already signs that one or two of the science park companies might "really take off".

Harry Nicholls, the park's chief executive, asked that the park should not be judged too harshly in its first few years. He said: "We are trying to break down the barriers between our entrepreneurs and the universities so that businessmen can make good use of university facilities, particularly those for research".

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EXTRACT FROM ASTON CHARTER, 1966



PEOPLE

- Nearly 4,000 students enrolled in engineering, science and management courses.
- More than a thousand first degrees awarded in these areas last year.
- 1,100 students on placement in industry and commerce this year.
- The number of higher degrees awarded last year was higher than for any other technological university.
- Aston has one of the best records of graduate job-finding.



RESEARCH

- About ten per cent of the university's income derives from industry, commerce, government and other organisations in the form of grants and contracts for research.
- Last year, with other services, this income totalled £2.7m.
- The university currently has more than 200 research studentships.
- Major research work is in such varied fields as computer applications, metallurgy, cancer chemotherapy, production technology, chemistry, chemical engineering and mechanical engineering.



INNOVATION

- Tutored Video Instruction at the Centre for Extension Education enables industry and commerce to update their knowledge and skills in their own workplace.
- Aston Science Park is a unique scheme launched on the campus to provide a flow of young high-technology companies backed by venture capital and interacting with the university.
- Aston is offering a new Masters Degree Course in Information Technology.
- Aston pioneered an Interdisciplinary Higher Degree Scheme enabling PhD students to carry out innovative research while working in industry.



TECHNOLOGY

The many innovative developments in technology produced at Aston include:

- A mini-computer based CAD/CAM integrated software package in conjunction with a leading manufacturer.
- The development of new chemotherapy treatments for cancer now in clinical trial.
- Self-destructing plastic sheeting for use in agriculture, now in commercial production and used worldwide.
- Ultrasonic metal-forming equipment taken up for commercial manufacture.
- Microprocessor-based real-time control of industrial power systems.

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173.4m	Grindlays	262	+8	..	..	18.3
99.2m	Guinness Peat	54	● ..	..	..	10.9
111.0m	Hambros	128	-7	7.6	5.9	1.5
—	Do (50p)	212	..	75.4	8.3	13.9
195.2m	Hill Samuel	276	● +1	15.0	5.4	9.5
494.4m	HK Shanghai	57½	+2½	..	..	..
20.1m	Jessel Toynbee Gill	94	+2	8.0	8.6	12.2
6,912,000	Joseph (Leopold)	263	..	16.1	6.1	10.3
12.9m	King & Shaxson	142	-2	11.8	8.3	12.0
209.0m	Kleinwort Benson	365	-5	17.1	4.7	9.2
1,024.1m	Lloyds	524	+6	40.7	7.8	3.7
10.6m	Lon Scot Fin	58	● ..	3.8	6.6	10.9
8,694,000	Manson	30	-2	..	..	6.1
199.4m	Mercury Secs	458	-5	13.6	3.0	11.5
893.1m	Midland	302	-12	36.4	12.1	6.0
69.0m	Minster Assets	161	● +9	7.1	4.4	14.7
—	National Comm	185	● -1	..	..	..
1,355.7m	Nat West	587	+19	44.6	7.9	5.4
—	Ottoman	261½	..	450	7.3	9.4
62.0m	Provident	152	-4	12.9	8.5	6.5
19.7m	Rea Bros	73	..	1.8	2.5	23.6
1,753.5m	Royl Bnk Of Can	£14¾	-¼	..	..	..
492.1m	Royl Bnk Of Scot	213	● -10	11.0	5.2	7.8
118.6m	Schroders	758	-5	23.6	3.1	12.7
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12.5m	Smith St Aubyn	58	..	6.4	11.1	5.9
690.4m	Stand Chart	444	-25	40.0	9.0	6.2
65.8m	Union	658	-15	48.6	7.4	10.6
10.9m	Wagon	48	..	3.6	7.8	12.4
576.1m	Wells Fargo	£24¼	+¼	..	..	..
18.2m	Wintrust	216	..	5.8	2.7	12.1

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FINANCE AND INDUSTRY
Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet

Who is going to stop unemployment rising?

Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancellor, refuses, so he tells us, to accept the "dismal thesis" that unemployment must go on rising. But what does he intend to do about the dismal reality? The monthly figures continue to exceed Government hopes, and today the London Business School adds its forecast to the disturbing consensus that unemployment will increase right through this recovery. Since its views on causes are not precisely alien to the Chancellor, the LBS's forecast is a useful paint-stripper to apply to the high gloss of Treasury pronouncements.

It is not that the LBS is particularly pessimistic about output: it actually believes growth will speed up a little next year. (By contrast, Cambridge Econometrics, for example, today publishes a forecast suggesting the growth rate will halve between this year and next, which, unsurprisingly, means a further rise in unemployment to a registered total of 3.7 million by the end of the decade.) The LBS's figures are even not inconsistent with the traces of weakness in the recovery showing through the statistical confusion caused by the miners' strike – for example, the slight decline in CBI optimism. What has happened is that the LBS has shaved down its forecast for output this year, without changing its views of output in 1985. So the gap – and hence the growth rate – between the two years is higher then in its previous forecast.

Key to the paradox

In both 1984 and 1985, therefore, the LBS now expects growth to be about 2.5 per cent. Yet unemployment goes on up. The forecast does show a modest decline between 1985 and 1987. But since it also forecasts a slowdown in growth this conclusion is, to put it mildly, problematical.

Productivity is the key to this paradox, and also to a long-running argument between the Chancellor and his critics. The LBS, among many others, forecasts a further sharp rise in output per employee this year, of about 6 per cent in manufacturing. After that, it supposes productivity growth will slow down, so that by 1986 it is rising even more slowly than output, and employment is increasing faster than the labour force.

There are some quite respectable reasons for believing this will happen. Productivity was boosted first, by a massive labour shake out; second, by greater use of Britain's remaining industrial capacity as demand rose through the recovery. The slowdown forecast for 1986 may bring an end to both impulses. But this is neither a certain, nor indeed a welcome, prospect.

It was Britain's sharp increase in labour productivity that helped reduce inflation and staunch the haemorrhage of competitiveness. If and when productivity does slow down, the critical issue will be the behaviour of wages.

Mr Lawson's favourite explanation of rising unemployment is that people have "priced themselves out of jobs": the rise in real wages (ie, over and above the general level of prices) has reduced the demand for labour. Professor Alan Budd, in a special LBS paper, tests the Chancellor's contribution to the "real wage" debate, and gives it some support; but his conclusions are not wholly comforting to Mr Lawson's position.

The Chancellor's favourite exemplar is the United States, where falling real wages have, he argues, patently stimulated employment. Yes, says Professor Budd; real wages have risen 18 per cent in British manufacturing since 1979, and employment has fallen nearly a quarter. By contrast, real wages have risen only 3 per cent in the United States – a moderation which helped to check and then reverse the decline in American manufacturing employment.

But Mr Roger Nightingale, chief economist at the stockbrokers Hoare Govett, takes a rather different view of the Anglo-American contrast. He starts from the same fundamental comparison: rising employment in America, falling employment in Britain. Over the long term, the difference has been quite startling: back in the mid-1960s, only about 37 per cent of the American population was employed, while today nearly 45 per cent work. In Britain, about 47 per cent of the population had a job in the mid-1960s, while today the proportion is markedly lower than in America – and the distinction would be even greater if allowance were made for Britain's shorter working week and longer holidays.

Mr Nightingale, however, sees this as a mark of American, not British, failure: the consequence of very slow growth in American productivity. This, he argues, has prevented American workers gaining substantial real wage increases: so they and their wives, have had to work more and longer to earn a higher standard of living.

It is true that productivity has been rising very slowly in the United States for a decade; but it is also true that Britain has started its productivity surge from way behind, and has allowed a simultaneous surge in real wages to gobble up too much of the potential gain in competitiveness. A slowdown in productivity growth will not automatically increase the level of employment. It will only accentuate the need for a slowdown in wages.

Some straws of hope

The LBS forecast offers some straws of hope. Real wages have risen exceptionally fast, Professor Budd points out, as an inevitable consequence of the Government's counter-inflationary policies, since wages (in Britain though not in America) adjust more slowly than prices. Now inflation is flattening our, real wages may grow more slowly.

But what on earth is going to bring about the decline in real wages that both Professor Budd and the Chancellor believe would now need to increase employment? A bad way would obviously be to allow inflation to rise (and the exchange rate to fall) thus bringing about the kind of temporary cut in the real cost of labour that is quickly reversed. If, however, we are to plod on down the virtuous path towards stable prices, some new labour market policies are urgently needed. Professor Budd proposes one, at least: tax incentives designed to cut the marginal cost of employing extra people, which operates on the real cost of employment as a proxy for the real wage. If Mr Lawson does not approve, he should provide evidence that he has better ideas.

Sarah Hogg
Economics Editor

Whitehall infighting threatens to upset privatization plans

By Jonathan Davis, Financial Correspondent

The Government's plans for a radical programme of privatization appear to be close to suffering a serious setback.

A combination of Whitehall inertia, inter-departmental wrangling and stock market weakness is likely to cause delays in several sell offs.

Plans to bring about potentially far-reaching changes in the structure and ownership of the gas and electricity industries, for example, are said to be rapidly running out of steam. Several months after it was first asked for, the Department of Energy has still not presented the Cabinet with its promised paper on detailed privatization options for the two industries.

Treasury ministers, led by Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancellor, have been leading the campaign inside Government for a break up of the monopoly gas and electricity supply industries, with a view of handing parts of them such as gas marketing and power generation over to the private sector. However, Mr Peter Walker, the Energy Secretary, has made no secret of the fact that he is lukewarm about both the wisdom and feasibility of such schemes.

Mr Walker's continuing preoccupation with the miners' dispute has pushed privatization of either gas or electricity even further down his list of priorities.

Differences between Whitehall departments are also said to be a significant factor holding up the long-awaited privatization of British Shipbuilders' profitable warship building yards. The Department of Trade and Industry has been studying its options for returning the yards to the private sector since receiving a feasibility report from the merchant bank, J Schroder Wagg, before Christmas last year.

No final decision is likely however until the Royal Navy decides where to place two new orders for Type 22 frigates. The decision was meant to have been taken by the end of last year.

Three British shipbuilder yards, Cammell Laird at Birkenhead, Swan Hunter on Tynesde and the Vosper yard at Woolston, Hampshire, have all put in bids for the work. Winning the orders will be crucial in determining how attractive the yards are to private sector buyers. The Ministry of Defence and the Department of Trade and Industry have so far failed to agree on where the orders should be placed, though a decision is expected shortly.


Peter Walker: lukewarm about gas and electric schemes

The sudden downturn in the stock market since the beginning of May is also beginning to cause some concern in Whitehall.

In the next nine months alone, the Goverment is committed to selling shares in Jaguar, British Telecom and British Airways. It had been hoping to raise up to £10,000m from its asset sales programme over the next four years. These proceeds will have to be downgraded – possibly quite sharply – unless stock markets show signs of recovering.

30% tax rise for firms

Corporation tax bills are set to increase by up to 30 per cent under the new corporate tax introduced in the Budget, according to a survey from the Institute for Fiscal Studies.

Tax charges will reach a peak in 1986 but even by the end of the decade could still be 20 per cent higher than under the present system.

The survey examined 4,000 companies, mainly large and in the manufacturing and distribution sectors, half of which currently pay no mainstream corporation tax.

By 1990, however, around 80 per cent will be obliged to pay mainstream tax.

STOCK EXCHANGES

Change On Week

FT-SE 100 Index: 1033.1
FT Index: 811.7 down 4.1
FT Gilts: 78.49 down 0.43
FT All Share: 485.27 down 1.72
Bargains: 17,016
Datastream USM Leaders Index: 102.96 up 0.19
New York: Dow Jones Indusrial Average: 1131.07 up 44.17
Tokyo: Nikkei Dow Jones Index 10,153.58 up 96.53
Hongkong: Hang Seng Index 937.38 up 5.01
Amsterdam: 153.1 down 15.3
Sydney: AO Index 659.4 up 6.4
Frankfurt: Commerzbank Index 990.5 up 11.0
Brussels: General Index 142.78 down 0.51
Paris: CAC Index 168.3 up 1.3
Zurich: SKA General 296.70 up 1.2

CURRENCIES

LONDON
Change on Week

Sterling
$1.3635 down 145pts
Index 79.4 down 0.1
DM 3.80 up 0.0225
FrF 11.6450 up 0.045
Yen 321.75 up 1.0
Dollar
Index 133.2 up 1.5
DM 2.7815 up 0.0.415

NEW YORK
Sterling $1.3617
Dollar DM 2.7932

INTERNATIONAL
ECU £0.589919
SDR £0.757368

Pits strike hits growth forecast

By Our Economics Editor

The miners' strike has reduced independent forecasts of growth in the British economy, and the latest survey carried out by the Confederation of British Industry suggests some slackening in the pace of recovery in manufacturing industry.

The London Business School has lowered its forecast of economic growth in output this year from 2.9 per cent after the Budget to 2.4 per cent. And the stockbrokers firm Hoare Govett, argues that the strike may reduce Britain's surplus on the current account of the balance of payments by as much as £1billion this year.

The LBS is forecasting a rise in national output of 2.6 per cent this year, 0.3 per centage points lower than it would have been without the miners' strike. It is also forecasting a rise in consumer prices of 5.5 per cent for the year as a whole, falling to 5.0 per cent in 1985.

The LBS forecast

	1984	1985	1986	1987
% change in Gdp (output)	2.6	2.8	1.9	2.0
Inflation	5.5	5.0	4.7	4.5
Registered unemployment (UK, millions)	3.1	3.2	3.1	2.8
Current balance of payments (£bn)	1.7	2.9	2.9	0.8

The latest monthly trends inquiry conducted by the CBI among 1,762 manufacturers and published today shows that 60 per cent expect the volume of output to remain unchanged in the next four months with 29 per cent expecting a rise.

The resulting positive balance of 19 per cent (the difference between those expecting a rise and those expecting a fall) compares with 30 per cent in February and 32 per cent in March.

But the Government can take heart from the fact that 70 per cent of the respondents say their prices will remain stable in the coming four months. Sir Terence Beckett, the CBI director-general, said: "This is good news for the consumer."

The output predictions, he added, pointed to continuing increases at a steady pace. But while the recovery has been under way for more than a year, 28 per cent of manufacturers still regard their order books as below normal, with only 20 per cent regarding them as above normal.

Capel-Cure seeks bank partner

By Ian Griffiths

Grindlays Holdings, the international bank, has emerged as the favourite to take a stake in the stockbroker Capel-Cure Myers in the latest of a series of City link-ups between banks and brokers.

Mr Andrew Hugh Smith, senior partner at Capel-Cure Myers, confirmed the firm was seeking a liason but would not confirm that Grindlays was to be the partner.

If Grindlays does take a stake in the broking firm it will be a big boost for the Australia and New Zealand Banking Group (ANZ), which made an agreed £182m takeover bid for the international bank earlier this month. Only last week ANZ announced that it was to take a 50 per cent interest in the Melbourne stockholder McCaughan Dyson.

ANZ is only the second leading Australian bank to take advantage of the relaxation in the Melbourne and Sydney Stock Exchanges' rules in April which paved the way for this type of deal.

A link with a British broker, through Grindlays, would enhance its standing in world markets and help establish it in the international financial services industry.

Capel-Cure-Myers recognised the need more than a year ago for additional funds to finance expansion and development. Various options were considered but the sale of a stake to an outside financial institution was finally chosen.

The firm was encouraged by the growing trend towards this type of deal ahead of the abolition of fixed-rate commissions on the Stock Exchange next year.

BOARD MEETINGS

TODAY – Interims: Lincroft Kilgour, Television South, and Trusthouse Forte. Finals: Brown and Tawse, Electro-components, Morgan Communications, Stormgard and Whitecroft.

TOMORROW – Interims: Anchor International Fund, Ashdown Investment Trust, Crest Nicholson, Inn . Leisure, Minet Holdings (quarterly report) and Muirhead. Finals: Alva Investment Trust, Argyll Group, Braithwaite and Co, Engineers, Halma, Hambro, Hambros Investment Trust, Hargreaves Group, Petbow Holdings, Racal Electronics and RFD Group.

WEDNESDAY – Interims: Body Shop International, Burns-Anderson, Clyde Blowers, Eldridge Pope, First National Finance Corp., First National Securities, Glossop, Hardys and Hansons, J and H B Jackson and Morceau Holdings. Finals: Anderson-Strathclyde, BPD Industries, Brickhouse Dudley, Charter Consolidated, Ferranti, James Latham, G Ruddle and Co and John Waddington.

'Third man' builds up Fleet stake

By Our City Staff

A key 14 per cent of Fleet Holdings, the newspaper group, is now reported to be in two hands. Unconfirmed weekend reports say the Egyptian businessman Dr Ashraf Marwan has emerged owning 4 per cent of the group in which Mr Robert Maxwell bought 10 per cent last Friday.

Dr Marwan, a multi millionaire and influential businessman, also owns 4 million shares in the House of Fraser Stores Group.

Mr Marwan is said to be a close associate of Lonrho's chief executive, Mr Roland "Tiny" Rowland, owner of Britain's oldest Sunday newspaper *The Observer*.

Mr Rowland and Mr Maxwell had a much-publicized breakfast recently to discuss the possible sale of *The Observer* to Mr Maxwell. This came to naught. But speculation was revived last week that the newspaper was again up for sale.

Dr Marwan's involvement in Fleet Holdings is still unclear. His stake is now worth £6.6m. Over last week Fleet's shares rose 12p to a record 197p, giving the company a stock market price tag of almost £170m.

Customs 'holding up high-tech exports'

British Customs officers are taking computers and related equipment from EEC-bound lorries at Dover and holding them for up to three months, it was claimed at the weekend.

Mr Brian Arnold, a buyer with a West German importer and wholesaler, said there had been a considerable tightening-up in the past nine months on goods which Customs regarded as potentially "sensitive exports" – even though their foreign sale has been sanctioned by the Department of Trade and Industry.

"I believe seizures are being stepped up because they feel the goods are being sent to East Europe, he said".

A Customs and Excise spokesman denied that computers are being deliberately held up. "We know of no general delays of high-technology goods through Dover," he said. But Mr Arnold said he had been informed by the DTI that a special number was assigned to "every seizure of goods for this reason". In late January, one consignment was number 50 for the year, "and it has been increasing since then".

"By contrast," said Mr Arnold, "importing from Korea, Taiwan, Hongkong and Singapore is simple."

It takes three weeks for his company Profisoft, based in Osnabruck, to obtain an import certificate from the West German authorities. When necessary, the DTI in London issue an export licences extremely fast. "You can get them in two days, or even sometimes on the spot," said Mr Arnold.

However, he added, Customs officers are now holding back either small shipments or whole lorry-loads of computer equipment. "We have this year had delays to two weeks to three months," he said.

Sales of computer-related equipment within the Common Market alone are worth several billion pounds a year.

45% join BA's pension plan

About 14,000 employees of British Airways have so far opted to give up their rights to an index-linked pension under the controversial pre-privatization scheme announced three months ago.

This is equivalent to 45 per cent of the airlines' eligible employees. The remaining 55 per cent have until this Saturday to decide whether or not to trade in their index-linked pension rights for a scheme that has lower benefits but also lower contribution rates.

The new pension arrangement – which also give employees who decide to switch the option of a lump sum or additional years of pensionable service – is regarded as an essential step towards making British Airways a saleable commodity

BET set to improve Initial bid

By Our City Staff

British Electric Traction is prepared to improve the terms of its takeover bid for the 60 per cent stake which it does not already own in Initial, the laundry and cleaning group.

Last week the non-BET directors of Initial rejected the terms of the present £165m offer. However, BET is keen for the takeover bid to have the recommendation of the Initial board and it will make a slight improvement in the terms in an effort to secure approval.

Financial advisers to the companies have been locked in negotiations since the offer was made last month as part of a deal under which BET will sell its TV rental interests in Rediffusion to Granada.

An agreement had been expected by last Friday, but Initial's directors now expect a meeting later today where they will consider a revised offer. The main objections to the present offer are that it does not place a fair value on Initial and that the consideration is weighted too heavily in favour of cash rather than equity.

Time is running out for BET Under Stock Exchange regulations it must send a formal offer document to Initial's shareholders by Thursday. It is preparing two, one with a recommendation, the other without.

Permission could be obtained to extend the deadline and BET will make an application if it is close to obtaining a recommendation for the bid.

The recommendation is important to BET for two reasons. First, it would ensure that it obtained 100 per cent control of Initial rather than being left with an untidy majority holding. Secondly, it would help the case against a referral of the takeover to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission. BET already has a significant interest in the cabinet towel market

NEWS IN BRIEF

Goodison poised for re-election

The new Stock Exchange Council meets today for the first time since last week's elections which put three rebel stockbrokers onto the policy-making group.

High on the agenda will be the election of the chairman. Re-election of Sir Nicholas Goodison by the 52-member body would give him a decade in the job.

voting from the membership failed to put him in the top slot last week. That place went to a rebel stockbroker, Mr Jeremy Lewis. However, Sir Nicholas has indicated his willingness to stand again for chairman and it is almost certain he will be re-elected unopposed.

● Pegler-Hattersley's chairman, Sir Peter Matthews, says in his annual statement that demand so far this year has been hesitant and trading conditions in Britain are still uneven. "But there are some indications that confidence is beginning to increase and we hope to see this strengthen."

● Two Kilmarnock companies in the oil and gas industries have won orders worth £750,000. They are Barr Thomson and Steel Fittings, subsidiaries of the Glasgow-based M and M Industries group. They will supply a range of products for use in oil and gas exploration in the North Sea and Highlands.

Prices tables

Prices tables of unlisted securities, investment trusts, Eurobonds and fixed-interest stocks appear today on page 18.

Plan to restructure electricity rates

By David Young, Energy Correspondent

The electricity supply industry has formed a working party to examine how it can introduce a multi-rate tariff structure to aid British industry.

A multi-rate structure would be designed to encourage industry to use more electricity in processes now using gas or oil.

Organizations such as the Confederation of British Industry have complained that Britain's industrial expansion is being hampered because energy costs are higher than in competing countries, particularly France where the extensive use of nuclear power has allowed industry to benefit from electricity often 30 per cent cheaper than British supplies.

The industry is now more actively promoting electricity for heating processes. Research has shown that electricity no longer has a price disadvantage over gas and oil, and that any power cost increase is more than cancelled by improvement in quality and a reduction in waste.

The Electroheat Congress in Stockholm has been told that 20 per cent of companies who switched to electricity found it more expensive, 20 per cent said it was cheaper and 30 per cent thought it gave a vast improvement in product quality.

Mr Jim Smith, chairman of the Eastern Electricity Board – and co-author of one of the papers presented in Stockholm – said more Government support should be given to industry to switch from oil and gas to electricity, produced cheaply from coal or nuclear power.

AMERICAN NOTEBOOK

Testing times ahead for Volcker

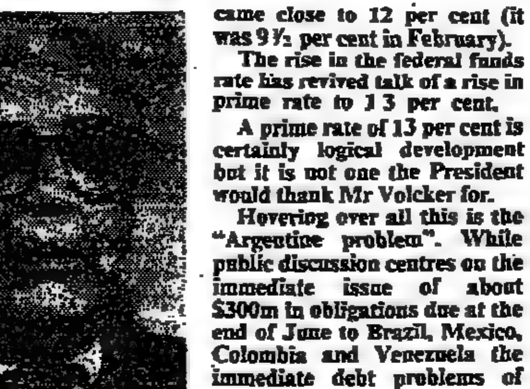
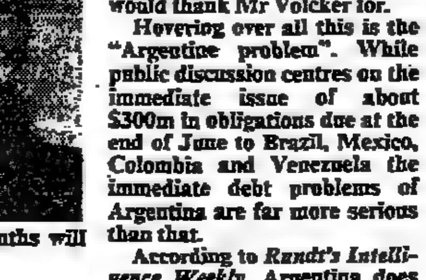
Mr Paul Volcker, chairman of the Federal Reserve board, now faces one of his trickiest few months, a period that will make or break his reputation as an adroit central banker. Major political, financial and economic problems face this lifetime bureaucrat who managed to secure reappointment as chairman of the Fed even though he is a Democrat.

It is less than five months to election day. President Reagan does not want any upsets in the world of financial and economic policy. The second-quarter "flash" gnp provided a dream result for the President – a high rate of real economic growth of 6.7 per cent following a huge 9.7 per cent first-quarter growth rate and accompanied by the amazing 2.8 per cent annual rate of increase in the gnp deflator.

If nothing else happens between now and election day, the President would presumably be pleased indeed. If the state of the US economy now is compared with four years ago, the President's achievement is an unprecedented success. Inflation has been smashed and is still negligible by the standards of the past 20 years; economic growth is abounding; employment growth in America is the wonder of the world; deregulation has given the US powerful new competitive freedom; the dollar is almighty.

Mr Paul Volcker's preoccupations are far from this picture of renewal and joy. He is looking at the financial markets most of the time. There he sees a bad dear market in bonds that began in mid-January and that, after pulling bond futures down by 15 per cent, took another terrible lurch towards the floor last week upon publication of the second-quarter gnp growth figures.

Mr Volcker is also looking at the surge of growth in M1 money supply. In the two weeks to June 11, M1 rose by 1 per cent, to give an astonishing and very worrying annual rate of increase of more than 25 per cent.




Volcker: Next few months will be vital

In attempting to bring a measure of restraint to money growth, the Volcker has authorized a slowdown in the rate of growth of banks' reserves, accompanied by a "free float" for the federal funds rate, which at the end of last week came close to 12 per cent (it was 9½ per cent in February).

The rise in the federal funds rate has revived talk of a rise in prime rate to 13 per cent.

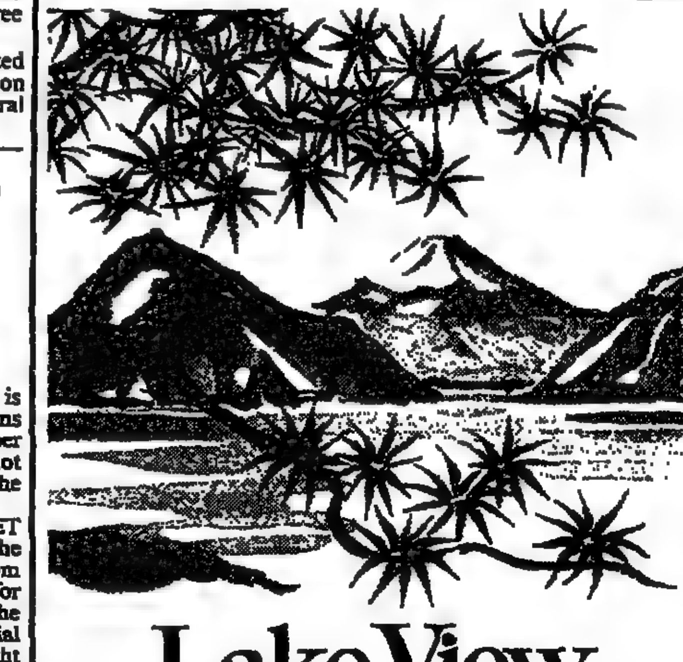
A prime rate of 13 per cent is certainly logical development but it is not one the President would thank Mr Volcker for.

Hovering over all this is the "Argentine problem". While public discussion centres on the immediate issue of about $300m in obligations due at the end of June to Brazil, Mexico, Colombia and Venezuela the immediate debt problems of Argentina are far more serious than that.

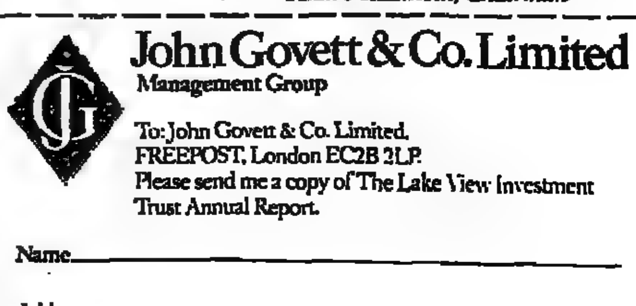
According to *Randt's Intelligence Weekly*, Argentina does not have the funds to meet all its obligations and pay for essential imports.

Somehow, Mr Volcker has to try to keep the whole rickety structure of US interest rates, banking and international debts out of the headlines until after the election.

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THE GILT-EDGED MARKET

Thirties lessons well learned

Michael Hughes

Two themes have dominated de Zoete and Bevan's recent contributions to this series. The first has been that the negative influences on the gilt market have not all been external. There have also been adverse domestic factors, some of which should be temporary. The second theme has been to compare present circumstances with those of the 1930s. This article discusses how one of the negative domestic influences could soon be alleviated and also considers the lessons for the gilt market of the important contrasts with the events of 50 years ago.

In retrospect the Government must wish that the "front-end loading" of the public sector borrowing requirement in this fiscal year had been better publicized at the time of the Budget. Reassuring statements after the release of the much worse than expected PSBR figures for April were not enough to calm market fears. Further announcements ahead of the May figures implied that for the first half of fiscal 1984-85 the PSBR would be about £7 billion, falling sharply in the second half of the year to almost zero.

The lack of appreciation of the degree of this front-end loading, together with a concensus forecast which still looks for a higher PSBR out-turn than the official £7¼ billion forecast for the year, have contributed to the recent uncertainties in the gilt-edge market.

The worst should now be past, however. The monthly PSBR figures beyond June should show a steady improvement. All that remains to downgrade the PSBR in the list of market concerns is the launch of a successful funding initiative.

Three strategies appear to be possible solutions to this. The first is the old Duke of York trick. Short-term rates are encouraged to rise in excess of levels which prove to be sustainable in order to supply new gilt stock at prices which are instantly attractive. There are obvious dangers in this approach but gilt yields have already discounted a 10 per cent base rate. In the absence of an even greater fall in sterling, which would generate expectations of higher rates, thereby making this funding strategy more costly, this approach could be made to work. However, it marks a return to the solutions of the funding crises of the 1970s. Quite apart from the political repercussions of such a move it does not seem entirely appropriate. This funding "crisis" is temporary, not strategic, and on a much smaller scale than that experienced in the mid-70s.

A second, alternative, funding strategy has more appeal. This involves retapping the ultra long end of the conventional gilt market. This area of the market has remained untapped for many months as part of a policy to provide the conditions to encourage the company sector to raise long-term finance and reduce their dependence on bank borrowing.

Although the recent amendments to the Finance Bill have further encouraged the corporate bond market, the company sector's demand for external finance does not appear to be very high. The corporate cash surplus is historically very large. Their demand for long-term capital or bank borrowing is therefore low at present. Moreover the company sector's demand for fixed-interest money appears to be much shorter than 20 years. Few corporate treasurers wish to be saddled with 11 per cent-plus payments for the next 20 years in a deflationary economic environment.

Finally and perhaps most importantly, the cost to the Government of funding at the long end of the gilt market is quite likely to be less than using stocks with shorter maturities. The difference between yields on medium-dated and long-dated stocks now suggests that long-rates will have to fall to 6 per cent or less over the next 25 years for the strategy to prove to be more expensive. This seems to be a risk worth taking, especially when the potential demand for ultra long stocks from cash-rich long-term investors is high.

Another funding strategy and the last of the three possibilities mooted here, would be to reintroduce variable-coupon bonds. The theoretical attractions of these in a period of interest-rate uncertainty are strong but memories of the capital losses incurred on the original "V1, V2 and V3" are also vivid. A refashioned variable bond offering a larger premium over market rates than before and with a less penalizing phasing formula for calcuating interest payments could have attractions for the corporate sector. But a considerable redesign of the original "Vs" would be necessary to again tempt building societies, even assuming their net inflows allowed them to be net investors in the gilt market once again.

The three possible funding strategies outlined are not exclusive. They simply serve to emphasize that a different approach to that employed of late is now necessary to help remove some of the uncertainties from the gilt market.

Some of the remarkably close parallels between present trends and those of 50 years ago were outlined in our article on May 29. In particular, we highlighted the risks of a fall in the sterling/dollar rate if liquidity pressures on US banks again forced the repatriation of dollars. It is also important to recognise the main differences with earlier events and the impact these may have on the gilt market.

Perhaps the most important is that present policy makers can now draw on the lessons of the thirties for guidance. They appear to have done just that. The early decision to reschedule debts owed much to Keynes' war reparation programme. The decision to liquefy the banking system at times of commercial bank crisis stemmed from the Friedman analysis of what went wrong in the 1920s and 1930s.

If this policy continues to be implemented, this time money supply will not be allowed to collapse. What impact will this have? Firstly, it suggests that there need not be a debt deflation. There is now a set of guiding principles which can help to avoid this, but at the cost of a deterioration in the liquidity position of banks, especially American banks. Every time a loan is rescheduled, prospective bank liquidity levels are reduced.

Secondly, unlike the thirties there may not be a wholesale wiping out of debts. Ironically this had the impact of eventually improving credit ratings generally with the result that new lines of credit were forthcoming relatively quickly. Not so this time. Existing credit ratings are not going to improve swiftly so the biggest problem of the less developed countries (LDC) is how to secure new lines of credit to finance the imports of capital goods which are vital for sustained growth. The agencies for doing this (IMF, World Bank) have inadequate resources. Barter deals are a growing alternative but obviously restricted.

The deflationary pressures affecting world economies this time do not come from the imminent default of large debtors but the lack of new finance to sustain world trade growth. Against a background in which credit ratings are not expected to improve except painfully slowly and the mechanisms for supplying adequate lines of new credit do not exist, the scope for real interest rates to rise further is still great. For an improvement in the supply of new savings will necessitate higher real rates than prevail at present.

It is this expectation which lies behind the continuing high levels of nominal interest rates and the lacklustre performance of the index-linked stock. The former may not be discounting a substantially higher rate than at present, rather they could be discounting the expectation that real short-term rates could go higher. In which case the lack of attraction of the index-linked stocks currently offering a prospective real rate of return not significantly different from the long-term historical average real interest rates in the UK is understandable.

Summarizing, the real LDC problem is the securing of new lines of credit to finance imports of capital goods and the immediate US problem is the liquidity squeeze on its banking system. It is not the budget deficit which, although it remains a structural problem, may be reduced unexpectedly quickly if US inflation accelerates. Both problems may take the UK real interest rates higher than at present.

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USM REVIEW

Bush Radio in tune for a market welcome

In the days when valve radios were the latest thing in home entertainment, the Bush Radio trademark stood for quality and reliability. So it came as no surprise that Lord Weinstock's GEC would lead the rush of buyers when the Rank Organisation decided to put the trademark up for sale.

Unfortunately, he was pipped at the post by two young businessmen virtually unknown in the world of consumer electronics. Mr Mark Futter and Mr Richard Schlagman have agreed to pay a total of about £600,000 over the next few years for the Bush trademark, which they maintain is still a household name and should help to boost, still further, an impressive profit growth performance.



Mark Futter (left) and Richard Schlagman: they beat GEC in the race for the Bush Radio trademark

Their original company, Interstate Electronics, was formed in the early 1970s soon after they left university. Interstate specialized in selling records, tapes, car-radios and stereos to small retailers. But it did not take long for them to realize the full potential of the consumer electronics market.

Using Far Eastern sub-contractors to make their products cheaply and to Interstate's own designs they were soon selling to high street retailers like Argos, Boots, the Co-op, Currys and Littlewoods. But it was not until 1981, when they bought the Bush trademark and changed the name of the company to **Bush Radio**, that Mr Futter and Mr Schlagman finally knew they had arrived.

Now Bush Radio is planning to make its debut on the Unlisted Securities Market and these two shrewd, young businessmen should receive a warm welcome. Bush will be placing about 35 per cent of the total equity on the market at about 85p a share through stockbroker Montague, Loebl, Stanley, valuing the group at £8m.

Mr Futter and Mr Schlagman will be placing 25 per cent of their own shares, with the remainder being sold to raise £750,000 for extra working capital. The shares should come to market on a PE of nearly 20.

Mr Futter complains that Bush Radio is always being compared with Amstrad, which is misleading. Bush is selective and all its products are high-volume, high-margin goods. "We've avoided televisions, videos and computers", he said.

Instead, Bush produces a wide range of products, including radio-cassette recorders, radio-alarm clocks, music centres, tower systems and personal hi-fi systems. But the secret of the group's success lies in its decision to use Far Eastern sub-contracters in Hongkong, Korea, Japan and Singapore to manufacture the goods and keep Bush's overheads to a minimum.

Since 1979, pretax profits have grown from £234,000 to £540,000 on sales up from £2.26m to £6.34m. For the year to August 31, the group is forecasting pretax profits of £820,000. Mr Futter said: "We have a nice track record and it has always been our intention of coming to market. It's the right thing to do".

Applied Holographics is generating the kind of interest not seen for some time in the USM. There was a keen buzz of excitement last week from jobbers and brokers alike when details of the proposed placing were unveiled. That should mean that the shares will open at a healthy premium over the placing price when dealings start later today.

Stockbroker Laing & Cruickshank is placing 1.25 million shares in the company at 180p, representing nearly 20 per cent of the shares. At this level, Applied Holographics is valued at £11m. This issue will raise £2.5m for working capital to accelerate production of its first white light hologram duplicating machine. For the past 18 months, shares of Applied Holographics have been quoted on the over-counter-market, where they have climbed from 25p to nearly 200p.

Laing & Cruickshank has had no shortage of buyers for the shares and its biggest problem has been how to scale own the applications. The shares could open as high as 225p in first-time dealings and the optimists are predicting they will hit 300p within the next few weeks.

An initial production model is already operating, producing one hologram every 20 minutes. AHG hopes eventually to lease the machines to customers and then sell them the film and chemicals. It has already signed an agreement with Mitsui of Japan.

President Entertainments is coming to the USM via a reverse takeover of President of Offin, a sleepy plantations group quoted on the OTC recently. Stockbroker Le Mare, Martin will be placing 16 million, 10p shares (31.3 per cent) at 10.25p. This will value the group, specializing in running five theatre-restaurants with traditional English themes, at £5.2m. The placing is expected to raise £1.6m and will result in about 36 per cent of the shares being held by the public.

De Zoete and Bevan, the stockbroker, is introducing **Telecomputing** to the USM. Application has been made to the Stock Exchange for permission to deal in the whole issued share capital of 2.38 million shares.

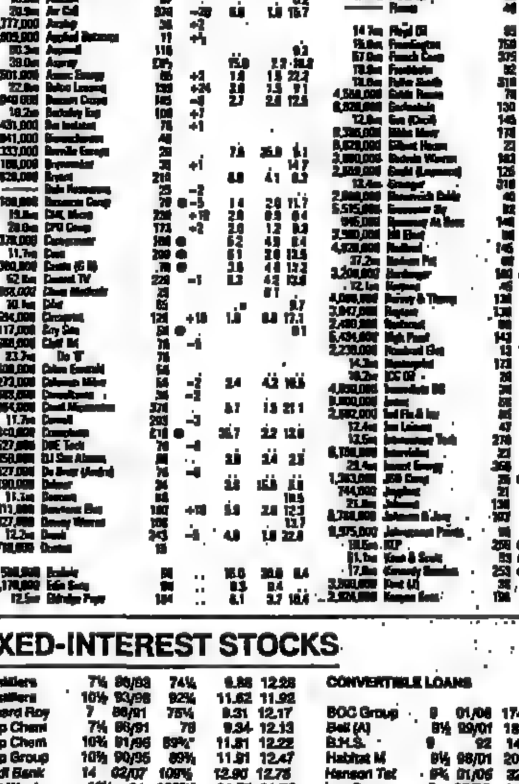
No additional shares are being issued at this time. Dealings are expected to start on Thursday and an initial market capitalization of about £4.75m is thought likely.

The company is forecasting a pretax profit of not less than £350,000 for the year to September 30 next, compared with £300,000 in the previous year.

A final dividend of not less than 0.65p net is predicted, making a total of 1p net for the year. Pretax profits are struck after charging research and development, which will rise significantly this year from the £356,000 incurred last year.

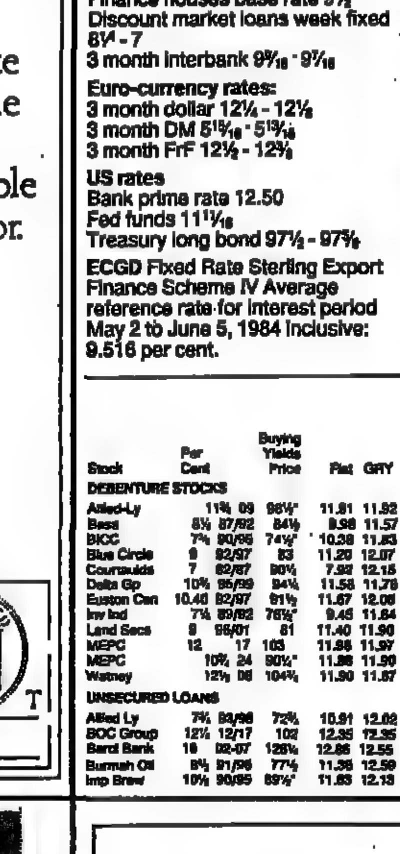
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INTEREST RATES



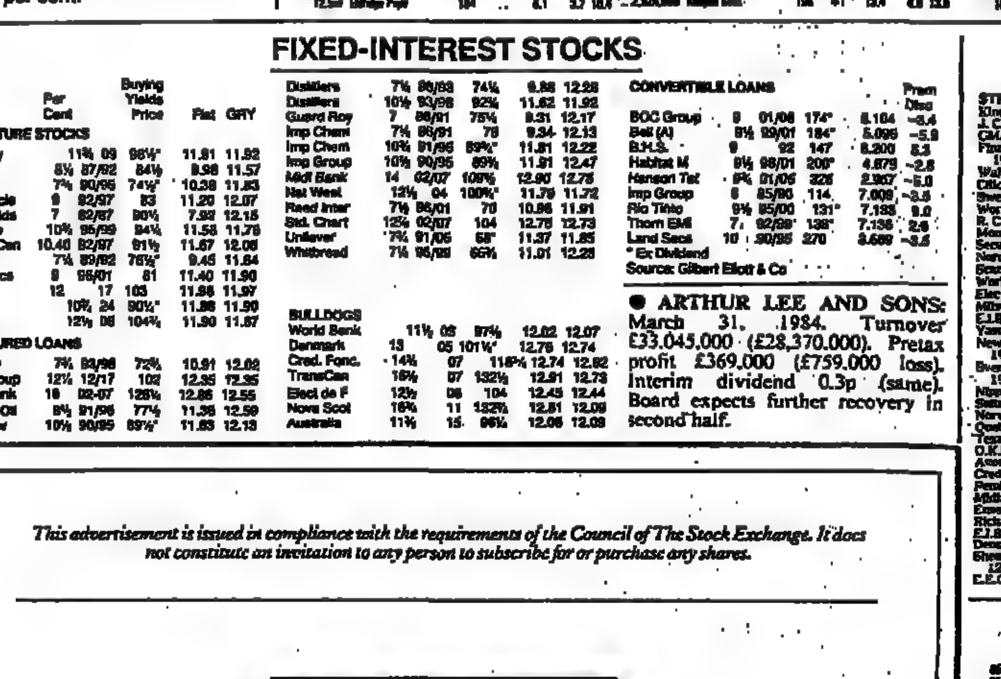
Domestic rates:
Bank base rates 9, 9¼
Finance houses base rate 9½
Discount market loans week fixed 8¼ - 7
3 month interbank 9⁹⁄₁₆ - 9⁷⁄₁₆

Euro-currency rates:
3 month dollar 12¼ - 12⅛
3 month DM 5¹⁵⁄₁₆ - 5¹³⁄₁₆
3 month FrF 12½ - 12⅜

US rates
Bank prime rate 12.50
Fed funds 11¹¹⁄₁₆
Treasury long bond 97½ - 97⅝

ECGD Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme IV Average reference rate for interest period May 2 to June 5, 1984 inclusive: 9.516 per cent.

FIXED-INTEREST STOCKS



Stock	Per Cent		Buying Price	Yields Flat	GRY
DEBENTURE STOCKS					
Allied-Ly	11¾	09	96½*	11.91	11.92
Bass	8¼	87/92	84½	9.98	11.57
BICC	7¾	90/95	74½*	10.38	11.83
Blue Circle	9	92/97	83	11.20	12.07
Courtaulds	7	82/87	90¼	7.92	12.15
Delta Gp	10¾	95/99	94¼	11.58	11.76
Euston Cen	10.40	92/97	91½	11.67	12.08
Inv Ind	7¼	89/92	76½*	9.45	11.64
Land Secs	9	96/01	81	11.40	11.90
MEPC	12	17	103	11.98	11.97
MEPC	10¾	24	90¼*	11.88	11.90
Watney	12½	08	104¾	11.90	11.87
UNSECURED LOANS					
Allied Ly	7¾	93/98	72¾	10.91	12.02
BOC Group	12½	12/17	102	12.35	12.35
Barcl Bank	16	02-07	128¾	12.86	12.55
Burmah Oil	8¾	91/96	77¼	11.38	12.59
Imp Brew	10½	90/95	89½*	11.83	12.13
Distillers	7¾	88/93	74¾	9.88	12.28
Distillers	10½	93/98	92¾	11.62	11.92
Guard Roy	7	86/91	75¼	9.31	12.17
Imp Chem	7¼	86/91	78	9.34	12.13
Imp Chem	10¾	91/96	89¾*	11.91	12.22
Imp Group	10¾	90/95	89¾	11.91	12.47
Midl Bank	14	02/07	109¾	12.90	12.75
Nat West	12¼	04	100¾*	11.79	11.72
Reed Inter	7½	96/01	70	10.86	11.91
Std. Chart	12¾	02/07	104	12.75	12.73
Unilever	7¾	91/06	68*	11.37	11.85
Whitbread	7¼	96/99	65¾	11.01	12.28
BULLDOGS					
World Bank	11½	03	97¼	12.02	12.07
Denmark	13	05	101¾*	12.78	12.74
Cred. Fonc.	14¾	07	118¾	12.74	12.82
TransCan	16¾	07	132½	12.91	12.73
Elect de F	12½	06	104	12.45	12.44
Nova Scot	16¾	11	132¾	12.81	12.09
Australia	11¾	15	96¾	12.06	12.09

CONVERTIBLE LOANS					Prem Disc
BOC Group	9	01/06	174*	8.104	−3.4
Bell (A)	8½	99/01	184*	5.095	−5.9
B.H.S.	9	92	147	8.200	8.5
Habitat M	8½	98/01	200*	4.879	−2.8
Hanson Tst	8¾	01/06	326	2.967	−5.0
Imp Group	6	85/90	114	7.009	−3.5
Rio Tinto	8¾	85/00	131*	7.185	9.0
Thorn EMI	7	92/99	138*	7.138	2.6
Land Secs	10	90/95	270	3.689	−3.6

* Ex Dividend
Source: Gilbert Eliott & Co

● **ARTHUR LEE AND SONS:** March 31, 1984. Turnover £33.045,000 (£28,370,000). Pretax profit £369,000 (£759,000 loss). Interim dividend 0.3p (same). Board expects further recovery in second half.

EUROBOND PRICES

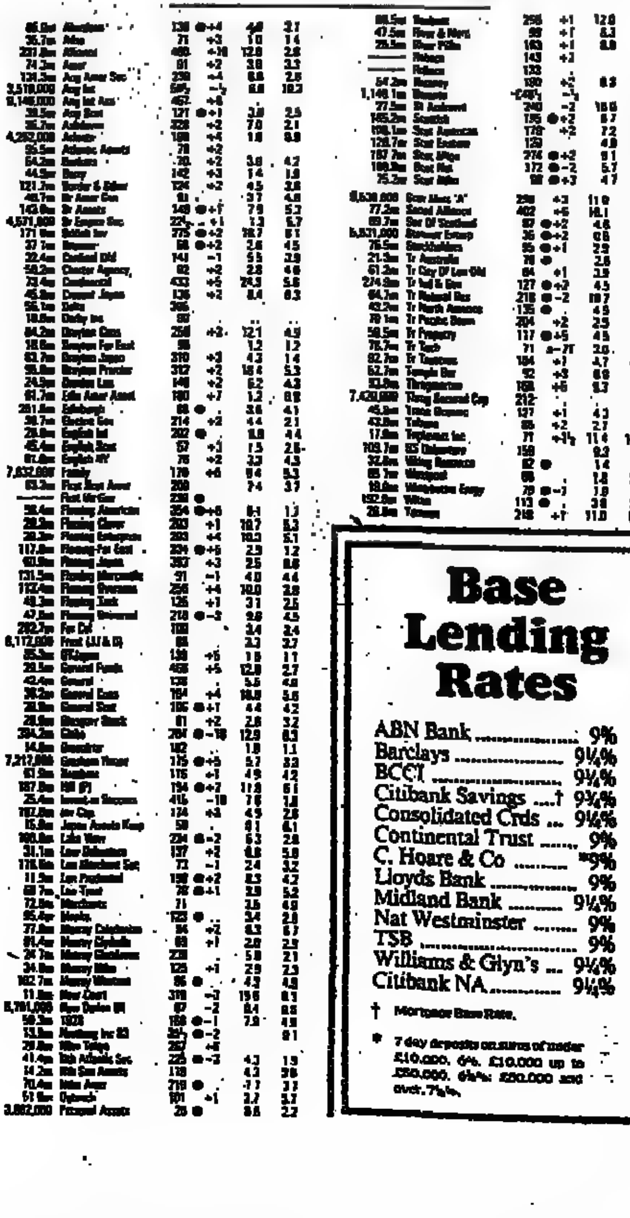
STRAIGHT DEBT	Price	YTM
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J. C. Penney 13⅝% 1985	[illegible]	[illegible]
GMAC 15⅞ 1985	[illegible]	[illegible]
Finnish Export 10⅝% 1985	[illegible]	[illegible]
Walt Disney 15% 1986	[illegible]	[illegible]
Citicorp 15% 1986	[illegible]	[illegible]
Swedish Export 13% 1986	[illegible]	[illegible]
World Bank 16% 1986	[illegible]	[illegible]
R. C. A. 15⅝% 1987	[illegible]	[illegible]
Montana Power 15⅝% 1987	[illegible]	[illegible]
Security Pacific 10⅝% 1987	[illegible]	[illegible]
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Saitama 11⅞% 1990	[illegible]	[illegible]
Norwest o/Seas 12⅞% 1991	[illegible]	[illegible]
Quebec Hydro 13% 1991	[illegible]	[illegible]
Texas Instruments 11⅞ 1991	[illegible]	[illegible]
O.K.B 10% 1991	[illegible]	[illegible]
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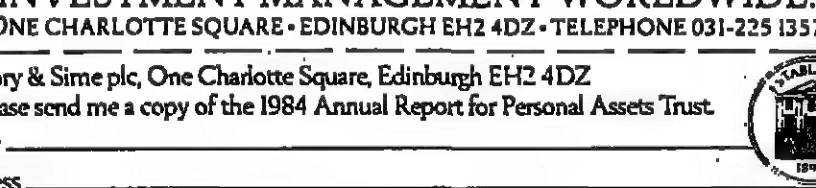
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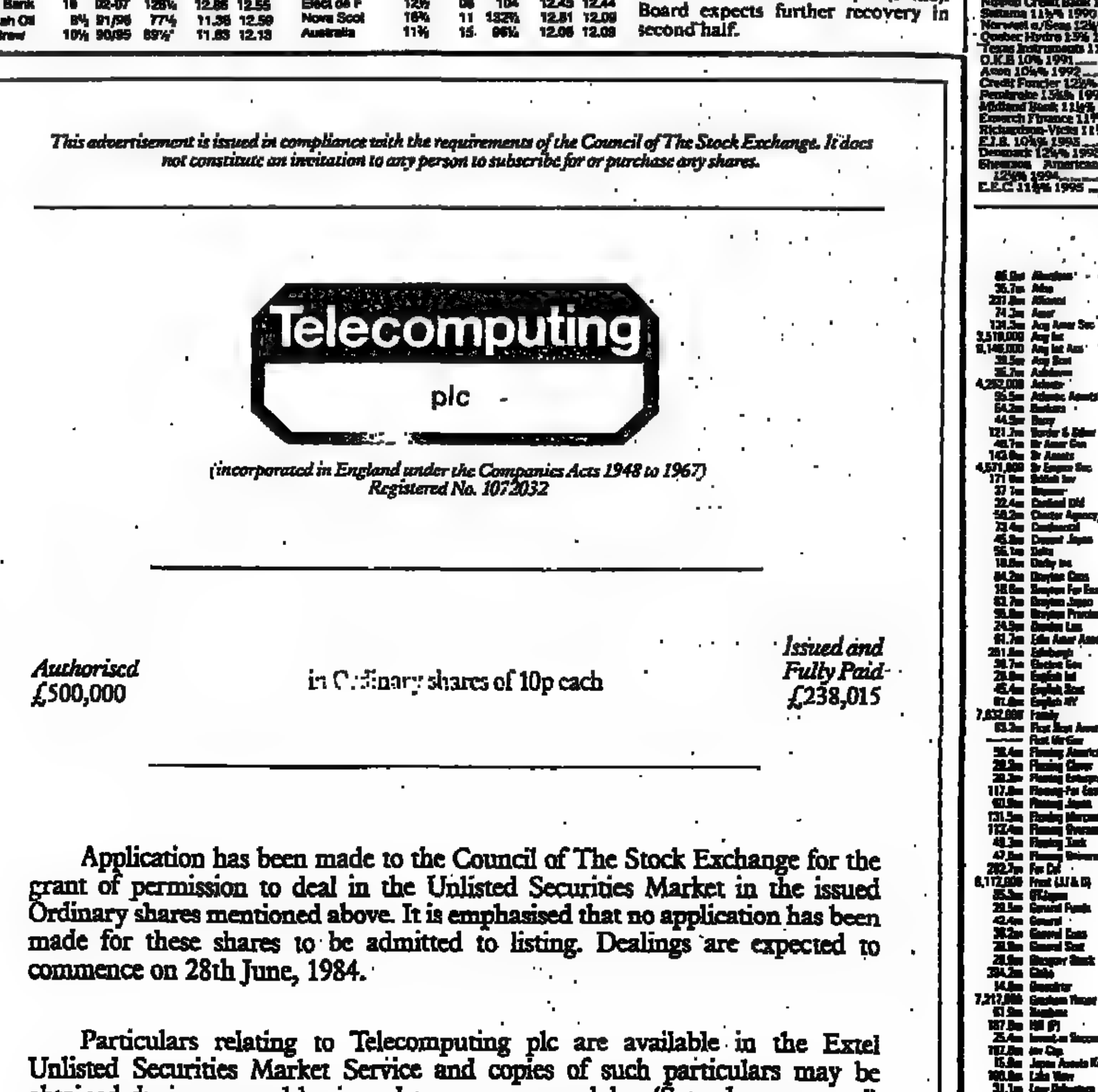
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APPOINTMENTS

Two join board of Halifax

Halifax Building Society: Mr Eric H. Dodson and Mr John S. Fforde have been appointed directors.

Gulf Corporation: Mr J. Dennis Bonney, Mr Willis J. Price, Mr Howard W. Bell and Mr L. C. Soileau have joined the board.

British Car Auction: Mr Tom Gibson has been appointed managing director.

C. T. Bowring & Co: Mr A. E. Briggs becomes a director of C. T. Bowring & Co (Insurance), Mr J. A. Thomas, a director of Bowring Bradford, Mr J. G. Vall a director of Bowring Preston Powell, and Mr W. N. Shaw, deputy chief executive of T. L. Dallas & Co.

BPB Industries: Mr Keith Pearson has been appointed to the executive committee. Mr Pearson will continue as managing director of D. Anderson & Son, and also becomes chairman of that company. He has also been appointed chairman of, and made responsible for the group subsidiaries Plaschem and Gyproc Glass Fibre Insulation. In addition, he now has responsibility for Metrotect, another group subsidiary.

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ORDINARY SHARES

The lure of Sealink's silver lining

Richard Hannah

The stock market and press have been preoccupied with the implications of the proposed capital reconstruction of European Ferries since the announcement in May. Now that the necessary court meetings have been postponed and the small shareholders' major doubt over the loss of votes removed, it is time to consider the fundamentall changes taking place in the Channel ferry business.

The Channel has been an exciting place in the last six months with the Government playing two roles, that of seller and referee. The Government is actively pursuing ambitions to privatize British Rail's ferry interests: one sale is completed and another ready to go. Hoverspeed, the merged remnants of the hovercraft operators Hoverlloyd and Seaspeed, was sold for a nominal consideration to its management earlier in the year, and the successful bidder for the Sealink UK ferry business should be announced shortly. Trafalgar House is undoubtedly the most substantial "name" on the list of declared bidders for Sealink, and Trafalgar has yet to reveal whether it will renew its bid for P&O, which owns the third largest ferry operator.

The Sealink business has enormous potential. The existing ferry operators were not slow to see through its dull profit performance and make bids. Understandably, European Ferries feels upset that it has been barred from the contest on the monopoly considerations resurrected from the inquiry in 1981.

The real surprise was, however, the exclusion of P&O Ferries from the bidding on the grounds that it would not be practical to wait for an inquiry to decide whether such a merger could operate against the UK public interest, even though the wait may well have been worthwhile financially. Having been excluded from the bidding, European Ferries' and P&O's views now coincide with those of the Government in wanting to ensure the maximum price is realized for Sealink.

While the Government has been deciding who will be allowed to bid, Sealink UK has been trying to disentangle itself from years of inter-group trading with its parent and formalize its contracts in preparation for the sale. The deadline of June 30 now seems unlikely to be met, but the slippage should be measured in weeks rather than months.

After the difficult times of the early 1980s, volume growth and reasonable price increases are now being seen in the ferry market. In the first four months of 1984 passenger and freight volume through Britain's leading port, Dover, increased by 4 per cent and 9 per cent respectively. Tariffs rose in January and although discounting is still a problem, particularly on freight, it is nothing like as widespread as during the price war of 1980.

Against this background it is curious that Sealink has experienced difficult trading conditions so far in 1984. However, this is mainly the result of poor overall volume on its important Irish routes (so far down 15 per cent). In addition, bookings appear adversely affected by uncertainties over Sealink's future ownership and the possibility of further strike action in protest against privatization.

The potential of Sealink is perhaps best assessed by comparing it with European Ferries which, to date, has consistently produced better financial returns from its ferry and harbour businesses. In 1983, we estimate that European Ferries achieved a 15 per cent return on capital on these operations against Sealink's return of 7 per cent on a capital base of £182m.

Question mark on future of Hoverspeed

There seems no reason why Sealink's performance should not match that of European Ferries which would imply trading profits of £27m. The level of pretax profits would depend on the amount of debt written off on privatization, but even if present debt levels remain unchanged, pretax profits would be about £20m.

On a similar tax charge and p/e as European Ferries, Sealink would be worth in excess of £170m, although considerable capital expenditure would be necessary for this to be achieved. The final price realized for Sealink will depend on the amount of debt written off. At the end of 1983, net debt accounted for 84 per cent of capital employed, an unacceptably high level for the private sector.

The prospects of improved performance from Sealink should not necessarily be viewed negatively from European Ferries' point of view, because Sealink's corporate objective will be to maximize profits: this need not be damaging to European Ferries' interests. In recent years Sealink's clearly improving efficiency, coupled with some market share gains, has not prevented European Ferries from reporting strong profits growth.

The restructuring in the Channel could go well beyond the privatization of Sealink UK. A privatized Sealink UK could have a strained relationship with its continental partners, the nationalized French, Belgian and Dutch railways. Operational agreements between some of the more entrepreneurial bidders on the list and their inherited continental partners seem unlikely to stand the test of time.

Questions must also be raised over the future of Hoverspeed which, despite numerous reorganizations, still traded unprofitably in 1983 as it has done for many years. We understand that BR was released from a guarantee of Hoverspeed's debt at the time of the management "hand out". Without this backing, it seems unlikely that Hoverspeed will be able to fund its existing business, unless there is a dramatic transformation in its fortunes. In addition, the group will probably need to replace hovercraft in the near future which could involve expenditure of £30m-£40m.

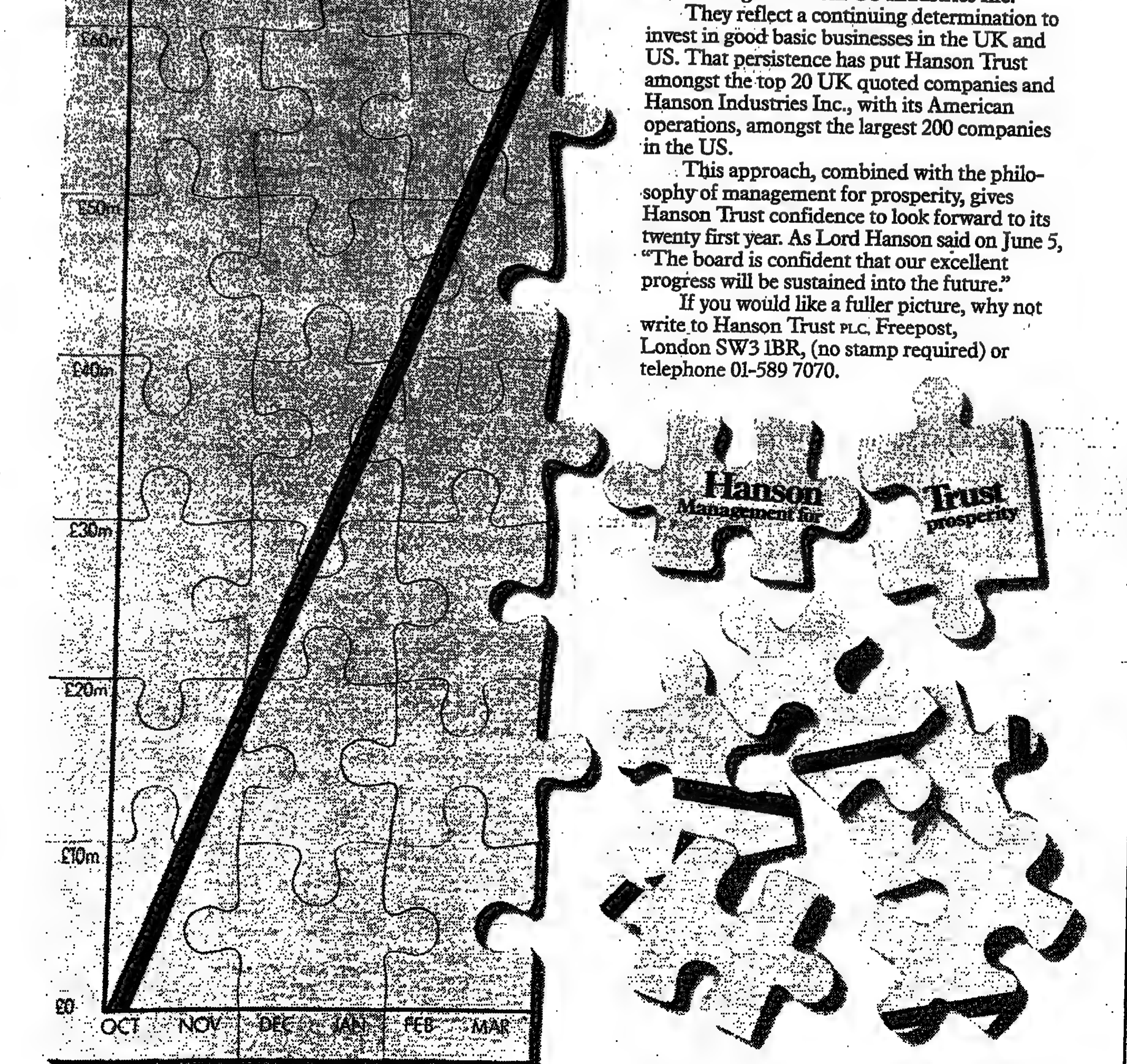
Overcapacity is still the main problem in the Channel. Should any of the weaker operators withdraw, the additional volume could be readily absorbed by the remaining capacity. For instance, European Ferries probably has the highest load factor in the short sea routes, but this averages only 21 per cent.

Every additional passenger over the break-even point represents almost pure profit to the operators, both in fares and from duty-free sales, so that the withdrawal of any operator would result in a very substantial boost to ferry company profits.

We are entering a new era in the Channel. In the future, competition will be more equally based, and consistently lossmaking enterprises will go out of business. In this environment, the prospects for the big two operators, European Ferries and Sealink UK, are distinctly encouraging.

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ROWING

Sparkling Diamonds with three former holders in action

By Jim Railton

Henley Royal Regatta is almost a sell-out and there is much to savour from the onset next Thursday. The opening round of the Diamonds for a start is full of sparkle, with three former holders of this prestige event in action, Crooks (1977-78), Matheson (1979) and Baillieu (1981-82). Add to that world lightweight champion Enuang, of Denmark, and runner-up Melvin, of Great Britain, with Cooper, of New Zealand, among the bidders this year.

Two unsuccessful British Olympic candidates, Baillieu and Matheson, meet in the first round, and they have between them won three Diamond sculls trophies. Matheson withdrew his services from the British Olympic team; Baillieu's chances were sunk without trace by failing to make the finals at Lucerne.

Britain's other "golden oldie", Crooks, opens up against compatriot Ros, who has been a giant-killer in the early rounds in this event previously. Baillieu will be looking for his third title, no doubt smarting somewhat from being passed over for the Olympics.

Redgrave, the holder of the Diamonds, has wisely withdrawn, and will concentrate on rowing at Henley, guaranteed a Royal Regatta title as a further investment for a more important stake in an Olympic medal in Los Angeles.

Matheson and Crooks cover their tracks combining possibly as favourites for the Double Sculls. Britain's Olympic crews will defend the realm in Henley's top event. The eight rowing as Leander-London will be expected to dispose of Pennsylvania University before meeting the United States' fastest crew at Henley, Washington University, who have a bye.

The British coxed four – Marlow-Tyrian – has a straight final against Njord, of the Netherlands, which, accidents apart, is a walkover. The stewards' should bring the British Olympic coxless four in the livery of Notts County and Tyne, who have a bye to the final against London University-Tyrian, who until Lucerne were Olympic aspirants. This event promises some action.

Many events are wide open. But the bonus is the presence of the British Men's Olympic team together with many warriors and old favourites still in the front line to stem the wave of overseas invaders.

CYCLING

Biggest day in life of smallest rider

By John Wilcockson

A dream came true yesterday for Steve Joughin (Moducel) when he made a last gasp effort to win the British professional road race championship in his native Isle of Man. It was his final kick that gave him victory by a clear length ahead of Bill Nickson (Falcon), with Malcolm Elliott (Raleigh) another two lengths behind, third.

It was a desperately close finish in which the Manx rider, who was 25 on Saturday, first passed Elliott and then Nickson in the final 15 yards. Joughin was overjoyed. He threw his crash hat into the air and was unable to speak for several minutes because of the reception he received from an enthusiastic home crowd.

The 131 miles championship was well fought from the beginning. Within four miles, David Akam, who recently completed the three week long Tour of Italy, launched an attack which at one point looked likely to win him the race.

There remained 20 laps of a difficult four and a half mile circuit at Douglas. Akam, who was out to impress the selectors for September's world champpionship, never falterd in his flight. But eventually a strong head wind on the main climb brought about his downfall. After almost 90 miles in front he was joined by Mick Morrison (ANC) and Ian Banbury (Moducel). Their lead was then two minutes.

Elliott who was desperately keen to win the championship in his first year as a professional, was whipping up the pace on the long ascent from Governor's Bridge, and it was mainly his efforts which caused the three leaders be be caught five laps from the end.

There were still 30 men in with a chance, but the picture quickly changed when five riders went clear 15 miles from the finish. Elliott was at the centre of the break, along with Nickson, Banbury, Dudley Hayton (Ever Ready) and Bob Downs (Bilton-Condor).

These five riders gained 40 seconds, but a long surging effort by Tony Doyle (RMCR) reduced the gap to only 17 seconds as they entered the final lap.

There remained 400 yards, and this proved just far enough for Joughin to weave his way through from the back to achieve the finest result of his career. A former junior national champion, Joughin is the smallest rider in British professional racing. He is only 5ft 3½in tall and weighs 9½st, but his famous finishing power belies his stature.

RESULTS: 1, S Joughin (Moducel) 5hr 26min 40sec; 2, W Nickson (Falcon); 3, M Elliott (Raleigh) both same time; 4, M Morrison (ANC) 5.26.41; 5, G Mitchell (Ever Ready); 6, N Bloor (Raleigh); 7, P Thomas (Falcon) all same time. 8, S Bailes (Falcon) 5.26.42; 9, C Wreghitt (Blanchi); 10, P Corley (Ever Ready) both same time.

RUGBY UNION

Goal-kicking key to All Blacks win

Auckland (Reuter) – Allan Hewson led New Zealand to a convincing 31–18 over France on Saturday to complete the two-international series. Hewson collected 19 points from five penalties and two conversions to give the All Blacks the game.



Lescarboura: off target

The boot of the French stand-off Lescarboura, failed him once again. The 23-year-old, who set a goal-kicking record in the five nations championship this year, missed six of his eight attempts at goal.

Each team ran in three tries – Lescarboura scored two – and the French came alive midway through the second half after being down 22–6. New Zealand appeared to have the game sewn up at the stage, after building on their 16–6 half-time lead.

Over-confidence and folly put the French out of reach of victory with 10 minutes remaining. They won a line-out on their goal and instead of kicking clear the full back Blanco and Sella attempted to run inside the French goal area. Sella was put down just to the right of the posts, the ball was free and Taylor scored the All Blacks third try, putting then ahead 31-14. Bonneval collected a consolation try to end the scoring.

SCORERS: New Zealand: Tries: Smith, Dalton, Taylor. Conversions: Hewson (2). Penalties: Hewson (5). France: Tries: Lescarboura (2), Bonneval. Penalties: Lescarboura (2).

NEW ZEALAND: A Hewson; J Kirwan, S Pokere, W Taylor, B Smith; W Smith, A Donald; G Knight, A Dalton, J Ashworth, G Whetton, M Shaw, A Haden, J Hobbs, M Mexted.

FRANCE: S Blanco; P Lagisquet, D Codorniou (rep E Bonneval), P Sella, P Esteve; J-P Lescarboura, P Berbizier; P Dospital, P Dintrans (captain), J-P Garuet, F Haget, L Rodriguez, J Condom, J Gratton, J-L Joinel.

NZ selectors miss chance

Wellington (AFP)–New Zealand's selectors were widely criticized yesterday over the All Black Rugby Union squad picked to tour Australia next month. The 27-man paty for the 14 match tour includes only two newcomers, the winger Mike Clamp and lock Murray Piece, both from Wellingiton.

Radio New Zealand said the selectors had missed a chance to quickly rebuild an ageing All Blacks team. "Instead of taking a bold step forward, the selectors appear to have taken a rather tentative skip sideways," they said. The party is split between 12 backs and 15 forwards. Critics say the side is unbalanced, with too few specialists among the backs and too many in the forwards.

NEW ZEALAND PARTY: Backs: A Hewson, R Deans, B Smith, S Pokere, J Kirwan, M Taylor, W Smith, M Clamp, A Donald, D Kirk, W Green, I Dunn. Forwards: M Mexted, M Shaw, J Hobbs, G Whetton, A Whetton, G Knight, J Ashworth, B McGrattan, H Reid, M Piece, G Braid, F Shelford, A Anderson, K Boorovich, A Dalton (Captain)

RUGBY LEAGUE

Tough task for Myler

Brisbane, (Reuter) – Tony Myler, the stand-off half who has played little more than 160 minutes in Britain's 10 tour matches so far, was yesterday handed the key role of marking Wally Lewis the irrepressible Australian captain in tommorow's crucial second international.

Myler replaces the regular stand-off Des Foy, who limped off injured during Britain's 13-16 defeat by Toowoomba earlier this week.

Frank Myler, the British coach, has made a string of changes to his pack.

BRITAIN: M Burke, D Drummond, G Schofield, K Mumby, E Hanley; T Myler, N Holding; K Rayne, B Noble (captain), L Crooks, A Goodway, C Burton, M Worrall. Reserves: M Adams, A Gregory

AUSTRALIA: G Jack; E Grothe, G Miles, M Meninga, K Boustead; W Lewis (captain), M Murray; P Vautin, W Pearce, B Niebling, D Brown, G Conescu, G Dowling. Reserves: S Mortimer, W Fullerton Smith.

BOXING

Rosario still champion

San Juan, Puerto Rico, (AP) – Edwin Rosario, of Puerto Rico, gained a split decision over Howard Davis Jr, on Saturday to retain his World Boxing Council lightweight title and remain undefeated.

The 21-year-old champion hit the challenger from New York with a stinging left hook with about 15 seconds remaining in the bout to put Davis in the canvas. It was a blow that decided the bout.

Mike Jacobs, of London, the referee, gave Davis a mandatory eight-count and it looked as if Rasario would move in for a knockout, but the bell ended the 12-round bout.

In the final scoring, Sid Nathan, of London, and Angel Tovar, of Mexico, gave the bout to the champion by a count of 115-114 and 117-113, respectively.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

CRICKET

Tour match (11.0 to 6.0)
CHELMSFORD: Essex v West Indians
DERBY: Derbyshire v Kent
BRISTOL: Gloucestershire v Hampshire
OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire v Worcestershire
LEICESTER: Leicestershire v Nottinghamshire
NORTHAMPTON: Northamptonshire v Yorkshire
THE OVAL: Surrey v Middlesex
HOVE: Sussex v Glamorgan
EDGBASTON: Warwickshire v Somerset
WARWICK UNDER-25 COMPETITION: Harefield: Middlesex v Leicestershire. Farnsfield: Nottinghamshire v Derbyshire; Banstead: Surrey v Kent

OTHER SPORT

CROQUET: veterans Tournament (Southwick).
LAWN TENNIS: The All-England Championships (Wimbledon).
YACHTING: Edinburgh Cup (Cowes)

TENNIS: WIMBLEDON CHAMPIONSHIPS UNDER A CLOUD

Fear fuels a gathering storm

By Rex Bellamy, Tennis Correspondent

The Wimbledon championships, which begin today, offer something to remember, something to look forward to, and something to worry about.

We remember that the first women's singles championship was played 100 years ago and that Fred Perry first won the men's singles 50 years ago. We look forward to exceptional tennis from unusually strong favourites in four of the five main events – all except the mixed doubles. And we worry about a threat of anarchy that can no longer be ignored.

Dealing with the bad news first, there has been evidence that the court conduct of a few prominent players, notably John McEnroe and Jimmy Connors, is successfully challenging the authority of umpires, referees and supervisors and bring ing the game into disrepute. An obvious example occurred in the final at Queen's Club, where the umpire, referee and supervisor tamely acquiesced when publicly humiliated by McEnroe.

The issues were discussed here on June 5 and 19. The response to those articles and to the Queen's Club scandal suggests that the breakdown of control may be even more serious than one had feared. Experienced and trustworthy officials have agreed that some of their number are "terrified" of upsetting tournament organizers

The man or woman who disqualifies a celebrity may never again be invited to influence the course of a big match.

Umpires are formally graded. In the cause of advancement, is it a help or a hindrance to have a reputation for toughness? Some officials regard it as no accident that umpires known to be strict in implementing the code of conduct are seldom appointed to potentially controversial matches and, even if they are, have no confidence that they will be supported by other tournament officials.

Consequently it is alleged that, with exceptions, umpires given the top jobs tend to be less strict than others; that such players as McEnroe and Connors have only a restricted group of umpires to deal with and know how far they can go with them; and that lesser players are more likely to be treated severely when contravening the code of conduct.

It is all very well for the organizations concerned to deny such charges, but the proof of the pudding is in the eating. The evidence suggests that, for years, too many tournament officials at all levels have pursued a policy of appeasement that, predictably, has brought men's tennis to the threshold of chaos.

Even Wimbledon, a bastion of disciplined gentility, has taken a softer line in recent years – since the departure of Captain Michael Gibson and the arrival of a new breed, the grand prix supervisors. Coincidence? Perhaps. But the championships committee cannot escape a measure of responsibility.

Gibson refereed Wimbledon from 1963 to 1975. The connection had already reached breaking point when he disqualified Ilie Nastase at Bournemouth in 1975. "That was probably the beginning of the end as far as I was concerned", Gibson says. He has since done most of his refereeing overseas because invitations to work in Britain have been scanty. Is it unreasonable to suspect that the Nastase incident was a contributory factor?

When three men are in charge, nobody is in charge. In Gibson's days, the umpire controlled a match and the referee served as an appeal judge on points of law. Since 1978, grand prix supervisors have complicated the issue, although they have been admirable in their original role: training umpires and referees, improving the standard of officiating, and bringing uniformity to interpretations of the rules.

The decision to expand that role by giving supervisors final authority over all grand prix tournaments except the grand slam championships was, as it has turned out, a mistake. They should assume that authority only by invitation, when no qualified referee is available. Supervisors have eroded the power of referees and umpires, and have too often been diffident in enforcing the code of conduct.

The fashionable soft line may be – but need not be – a consequence of the first steps towards satisfying the players' desire for full-time professional officials at all levels of tournament administration. Job-hunters have been known to compromise on matters of principle. But the basic answer to all this is simple. The players helped to devise the code of conduct. That code should be implemented unless and until it is changed or discarded.

All that is a cloud looming heavily over a Wimbledon at which 17 of the 20 surviving women's singles champions will, next Monday, be introduced to the public on the centre court. A Wimbledon that will also honour Perry, the last British player to win the men's title (there is splendour in the memory but sadness in the intervening years).

The gambling instinct would be out of control in anyone backing heavily against McEnroe, Martina Navratilova and, in doubles, McEnroe and Peter Fleming and Miss Navratilova and Pam Shriver. The mixed doubles looks more open and, in some ways, more fun. Of the £1,280,434 in prize money allocated to the five championships, the mixed takes 5.06 per cent only half what it shoud be but, nevertheless, is more reasonable than the 1.26 per cent in Paris and the 2.29 per cent at Flushing Meadow.

We have seldom been more obviously in the presence of greatness. Recently I asked Chris Lloyd, who has played against both women in big finals, to compare the last two grand slam winners, Miss Navratilova and Margaret Court. "Physically they have a lot in common", Mrs Lloyd said. "Martina may be have the better touch and as a left-hander she has a little bit of an edge because there are not many of them around. And Margaret showed more nerves. In the last few years Martina has reacted really well to pressure."

Interesting. But people do go on about Mrs Court's nerves. She won more grand slam titles, singles and doubles, than any other player of either sex. What most players would give for nerves like that.



Crisis in court: Martina Navratilova shows her retrieving powers in the women's final at Eastbourne. Photograph: Norman Lomax.

McEnroe and Navratilova lead the way

1: JOHN McENROE (US) age 25: Eighth Wimbledon. Champion 1981 and 1983, runner-up 1980 and 1982. Three times US champion. Beaten only once this year. Best player in world, singles and doubles, but has lost to Scanlon, Wilander and Lendl in last three grand slam championships.

2: IVAN LENDL (Cz) age 24: Fifth Wimbledon. Beaten by McEnroe in 1983 semi-final. Runner-up for four grand slam singles championships until he beat McEnroe in French final. That breakthrough has given him confidence. But may be too inflexible, physically and technically, to win Wimbledon.

3: JIMMY CONNORS (US) age 31: Thirteenth Wimbledon. Champion 1974 and 1982, runner-up 1975, 1977, 1978. Five time US champion, on three different surfaces. Tough competitor who is always "up" for the big occasion. But no longer looks in McEnroe's class.

4: MATS WILANDER (Swe) age 19: Fourth Wimbledon. Reached last 16 in 1982. French champion 1982, Australian champion 1983. Still learning his trade on grass but beat McEnroe and Lendl to win Australina title. Has he fully recovered from recent injury to racket hand?

5: JIMMY ARIAS (US) age 19: Wimbledon debut. Reached semi-finals of US championships, quarter-finals of French. At best on clay and hard courts. Forehand formidable, but may otherwise be too lightweight to excel at

6: ANDRES GOMEZ (Ec) age 24: Third Wimbledon. Twice a first round loser. Big left-hander with powerful first service and forehand, but inconsistent. More at ease on clay than on grass, which demands hasty improvization.

7: YANNICK NOAH (Fr) scratched.

8: JOSE-LUIS CLERC (Arg) age 25: Fifth Wimbledon. Reached last 16 in 1979. French semi-finals 1981 and 1982. Far more at home on clay than on grass.

9: HENRIK SUNDSTROM (Swe) age 20: Third Wimbledon. Reached third round last year. Increasing tactical variety has pushed him into clay-court elite. May soon be almost as good on grass. Two wins over Wilander this year.

1: MARTINA NAVRATILOVA (US) age 27: Twelfth Wimbledon. Champion 1978, 1979, 1982, 1983. Recently completed singles and doubles grand slams of Wimbledon, United States, Australian and French championships (doubles with Pam Shriver). Like McEnroe, is left-handed

2: CHRIS LLOYD (US) age 29: Thirteenth Wimbledon. Champion 1974, 1976, 1981, runner-up 1973, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1982. Six times US champion, five times French champion, once Australian champion. Only player of either sex who has won at least one grand slam singles title for 10 consecutive years.

2: HANA MANDLIKOVA (Cz) age 22: Sixth Wimbledon. Runner-up 1981. Australian champion 1980, French champion 1981, US runner-up 1980 and 1982 but has failed to exploit obvious potential. Lissome athlete and gracefully facile shot-maker who leaves herself little margin for error.

4: PAM SHRIVER (US) age 21: Seventh Wimbledon. Reached semi-finals 1981. US runner-up 1978, but has failed to reach another grand slam singles final. Pestered by shoulder trouble and seems to lack genuine authority on biggest occasions. Has service and forecourt game that should suit Wimbledon.

5: ZINA GARRISON (US) age 20: third Wimbledon. Reached last 16 in 1982. French quarter-finals 1982, Australian semi-finals 1983. Product of public parks programme at Houston, Texas. Maturing as tactician.

6: KATHY JORDAN (US) age 24: sixth Wimbledon. Beat Mrs Lloyd on way to quarter-finals last year, then reached Australian final. Highly strung competitor, at best when subject to partner's calming influence in doubles.

7: MANUELA MALEEVA (Bul) age 17: third Wimbledon. Second round loser both previous times. Big advance on clay this year, beating Mrs Lloyd in Italian final and reaching last 16 of French championships.

8: KATHLEEN HORVATH (US) age 18: second Wimbledon. Has yet to win a singles there. At best on clay. French quarter-finals 1983 and 1984. Only player to beat Miss Navratilova throughout 1983 (in French championships).

FIRST DAY'S ORDER OF PLAY

Play begins at 12.30

CENTRE COURT: J P McEnroe (US) v P McNamee (Aus); S Denton (US) v K Curran (SA); V Gerulaitis (US) v A Giammalva (US).

COURT ONE: R L Stockton (US) v I Lendl (Cz); L R Bourne (US) v J S Connors (US); E Korita (US) v W Scanlon (US).

COURT TWO: B D Drewett (Aus) v Sedberg (Swe); J M Lloyd (GB) v A Maurer (WG); Miss J A Mundel (SA) v Miss M Maleeva (Bul); T S Mayotte (US) v M Hocevar (Br).

COURT THREE: G Holmes (US) v J W Feaver (GB); Mrs P Delhees-Jauch (Switz) v Miss A N Croft (GB); C A Miller (Aus) v J L Clerc (Arg); M Schnepers (Neth) v L Shiras (US).

COURT FOUR: H Sundstrom (Swe) v R J E Boileau (Bol); A Jarryd (Swe) v S E Davis (US); Miss M L Piatek (US) v Miss S Hanika (WG); B Taroczy (Hun) v R A Lewis (GB).

COURT FIVE: J Turpin (US) v N Odizor (Nigeria); Miss W E White (US) v Miss M Jausovec (Yug); R J Simpson (NZ) v T E Gullikson (US); L Stefanki (US) v T Smid (Czech).

COURT SIX: B Testerman (US) v C S Dowdeswell (GB); R Schwaier (WG) v V Amritraj (India); Miss Y Vermaak (SA) v Miss P G Smith (US); M Mitchell (US) v A Gomez (EC).

COURT SEVEN: S Simonsson (Swe) v S Glickstein (Isr); Miss M L Brown (US) v Miss R Uys (SA); F Gonzalez (Par) v B E Gottfried (US); M Kratzmann (Aus) v N A Fulwood (GB).

COURT EIGHT: W Fibak (Pol) v J Hlasek (Cz); Miss G A Rush (US) v Miss B Herr (US); J R Fitzgerald (Aus) v D Pate (US).

COURT NINE: S Colombo (It) v R Krishnan (Ind); Miss N Herreman (Fr) v Miss M C Calleja (Fr); J Gunnarsson (Swe) v J Sadri (USA).

COURT TEN: M Davis (US) v B Manson (US); T Cain (US) v M Mecir (Cz); Miss L Savchenko (USSR) v Miss M Skuherska (Czech); M Freeman (US) v J Frawley (Aus).

COURT ELEVEN: S Youl (Aus) v W Masur (Aus); D Tarr (SA) v C Roger-Vasselin (Fr); Miss N Reva (USSR) v Miss P Paradis (Fr).

COURT TWELVE: J Nystrom (Swe) v T Wilkison (US); S Meister (US) v H D Beutel (WA); Miss J L Klitch (US) v Miss S L Collins (US); J Gurfein (US) v D T Visser (SA).

COURT THIRTEEN: R Stadler (Switz) v C J Lewis (NZ); M J Bates (GB) v C Motta (Br); Miss C Bassett (Can) v Miss S A Walsh (US); S M Shaw (GB) v C Panatta (It).

COURT FOURTEEN: H Pfister (US) v T R Gullikson (US); Miss A E Hobbs (GB) v Miss C S Reynolds (US); S M Rale (GB) v J G Alexander (Aus); Miss A C Leand (US) v Miss C Benjamin (US).

COURT FIFTEEN: C H Cox (US) v C J Wittus (US); G Mayer (US) v Z Kuharszky (Hun); R Gehring (WG) v P Slozil (Cz).

COURT SIXTEEN: R Willenborg (US) v V B Becker (WG); Miss R M White (US) v Miss E M Sayers (Aus); R Acuna (Chile) v J Soares (Br).

COURT SEVENTEEN: E Sanchez (Sp) v R Harmon (US); Miss M Y Torres (US) v Miss P S Medrado (Br); P Arraya (Peru) v M Leach (US).

CRICKET: NEW BOYS GIVEN BAPTISM AS GOOCH HAMMERS WEST INDIANS

England gamble with young batsmen, but Randall and Cook are dropped

By John Woodcock, Cricket Correspondent

Among the 12 England players chosen to report to Lord's next Wednesday, on the eve of the second Test match against West Indies are two new opening batsmen, Martyn Moxon and Chris Broad both of whom may be expected to play. Of the side badly beaten at Edgbaston in the first Test, Randall and Cook are dropped and Lloyd is missing because of injury.

Randall has been written off so often in the past that it would never do to say this is the end for him. He is, to some extent, unlucky, having been obliged to bat at No3 at Edgbaston when he would have been better suited by a lower place in the order.

Broad is 26 and Moxon 24. The West Indians will see them both as young men to be gunned for. I am less worried about Broad than Moxon. He is more experienced for one thing. Broad is entitled to view his selection as a vindication of his decision, towards the end of last season, to seek a more "fashionable" county than Gloucestershire. As a member of the current Nottinghamshire side, he replaces another in Randall.

Broad, I imagine, will go in first with Fowler with Moxon at No3. Lamb is retained despite having scored only 188 runs in his last 11 Test innings. He will know that if he fails this time, that will be it, anyway for a while. At least, though, in his 75 in the first of the three one-day internationals, he showed that he is not overawed.

Randall may be less disappointed by his ommission than his many supporters. When, last year, they got worked up at his being left out of the team for the third Test match at Lord's, Randall said himself that he thought the selectors made quite the right decision. Brought back for the fourth Test, he scored a brilliant 83.

It is natural to compare Moxon's first appearance with those of his fellow Yorkshiremen, Sutcliffe, Hutton, and Boycott. The whole country is keeping its fingers crossed that Moxon is in the same class. Too much, I believe, is being asked of him too soon, but the selectors do not think so.

Sutcliff's initiation, when he was already 29, was a nice, friendly one, in 1924, against a South African side bowled out for 30. Hutton's when he was 21, was against a New Zealand side in 1937 who had no one approaching the paceof half a dozen of the present West Indians. He made 1 and 1. Boycott was 23 in 1964 when he first played for England, against one of Australia's weaker sides. Moxon who has never played at Lord's has been described by Hutton as the better batsman of the two at the same stage of his career. How I hope that is right!

Broad is having a good season. He was narrowly preferred to Slack, who goes in first for the Windward Islands and Middlesex. Both are tall and left-handed. If Broad and Fowler opened together they will be England's seventh different opening pair in eight Test matches and their 15th in the 80s. This time next year, Gooch will be back in circulation.

Edmonds has been pipped for a place by Miller, who, at 31, is still chosen for what he may do rather than what he has. Patel and Ellison are being made to wait. Cowans returns, probably to be preferred on the morning of the match to Foster. In the ordinary way, for publicity purposes, the Test and County Cricket Board, (TCCB), have something like 18 colour pictures to hand of possible candidates for a Test side. This time they had over 30, though in the event only Broad's selection might conceivably have caught them out.

Andy Lloyd, the England opening batsman, has been ordered not to rush his recovery from a blow on the head in the first Test match last week. The Warwickshire batsman was discharged from hospital on Saturday and was able to watch his county play Somerset at Edgbaston yesterday. David Brown, the Warwickshire manager, said: "He has been told to take things quietly, and avoid exercises involving jerking movements or bending forward with his head."



Broad: more experienced.



Moxon: praised by Hutton.

England 12

D I Gower (Leicestershire, captain, aged 27, Tests 60)
I T Botham (Somerset, 28, 69)
B C Broad (Nottinghamshire, 26, 0)
N G Cowans (Middlesex, 23, 12)
P R Downton (Middlesex, 27, 8)
N A Foster (Essex, 22,5)
G Fowler (Lancashire, 27,11)
A J Lamb (Northamptonshire, 30, 32)
G Miller (Derbyshire, 31, 33)
M D Moxon (Yorkshire, 24, 0)
D R Pringle (Essex, 25,8)
R G D Willis (Warwickshire, 35, 88)

Some satisfaction for Gooch

CHELMSFORD: The West Indians, with all second innings wickets in hand, are 127 runs ahead of Essex From the first ball Graham Gooch faced yesterday he clearly had his mind set on making the first hundred scored against the 1984 West Indians and just over four hours later he duly achieved the feat. It was inevitable on a day when England called up two untried newcomers to the colours that the heart-burning over Gooch's suspension from Test matches should be renewed.

Gooch showed all his familiar authority but by his standards it was a restrained innings with only glimpses of his controlled power. For 70 overs, though, Gooch batted with the certainty and concentration which England need. It was his fourth coentury this sumer and at 30 he becme the second player to reach 1,000 runs for the season.

A slow pitch gave bowlers little encouragement and Garner, the only main West Indian fast bowler playing, did not exert himself too much. Harper took the opportunity to continue his development with impressive and teasing variations of flight and pace. Before Fletcher declared with an hour left, Harper's figures, however were spoiled by Foster who hit four massive sixes and a four in one over by the off-spinner.

Otherwise, McEwan and Fletcher were the only Essex batsman to stay long with Gooch. McEwan pulled and drove seven fours in a brilliant little cameo before he moved out and hit at point blank range into Richardson's stomach at short leg a catch that the fieldsman managed to retain.

Fletcher busily gathered runs in his own manner before lofting a catch to deep mid-on. Gooch, mostly driving with sedate firmness, had only eight fours as he moved remorselessly to his goal. He then gave deep mid-off a catch.

Those in an almost full house who hope that one of the younger Essex players might make his mark were disappointed. Gladwin edged an outswinger that Harper at first slip juggled with before Richards, standing next to him, finally managed to seize. Prichard was caught behind and Pringle edged a catch to second slip against one of the few balls which lifted all day.

WEST INDIANS: First Innings

C G Greenidge c Gooch b Foster	77
R B Richardson c and b Foster	5
A L Logie b R E East	85
P J Dujon b Foster	107
†T R O Payne not out	19
*I V A Richards b Foster	9
H A Gomes not out	4
Extras (l-b 1, w 2, n-b 13)	16
Total (5 wkts dec)	322

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–9, 2–133, 3–224, 4–308, 5–318. BOWLING: Foster 18-5-48-4, Phillip 13-1-43-0, Pringle 17-0-75-0, Gooch 22-5-62-0, R E East 26-6-80-1.

Second Innings

C G Greenidge not out	43
R Richardson not out	19
Extras (l-b, n-b 8)	10
Total (no wkts)	72

ESSEX: First Innings

G A Gooch c Gomes b Harper	101
C Gladwin c Richards b Small	8
P J Prichard c Payne b Small	10
K S McEwan c Richardson b Harper	39
B R Hardi b Harper	15
D R Pringle c Richards b Walsh	5
*K W R Fletcher c Garner b Harper	32
N Phillip not out	9
†D E East l-b-w b Harper	1
N A Foster c Dujon b Harper	34
Extras (b 4, l-b 5, w 1, n-b 3)	13
Total (9 wkts dec)	267

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–10, 2–32, 3–110, 4–133, 5–148, 6–214, 7–221, 8–222, 9–267.

BOWLING: Garner 12-1-25-0, Small 8-1-41-2, Walsh 17-3-76-1, Harper 30.1-3-85-6, Richards 12-1-27-0.

Umpires: D Oslear and J Burkinshaw

Moir pops in for final turn

By Peter Ball

DERBY: Derbyshire (4pts) beat Kent by one wicket.

The old Racecourse ground held several diverse attractions yesterday: a kite contest; occasionally buzzed by some lethal model aeroplanes, a funfair blasting out pop music and a brass band. There was also, for those preferring cricket, a fireworks display by the batsmen, who slogged some untidy bowling for over 500 runs in the afternoon.

The most dramatic innings in all senses of the word was played by Dallas Moir, who turned Derbyshire's apparently inevitable defeat into a famous victory. Moir came to the wicket with Derbyshire needing 114 runs to win and only three wickets remaining. Another fell immediately but he was then joined by Taylor and a new John Player ninth wicket stand of 105 turned the game around completely.

Moir played the major part, hitting a breathtaking 79 off 50 balls with six fours and four sixes spreading the Kent field. They could do nothing to stop him, however, and when he fell, trying to take a short single to Alderman, only nine runs were needed off six balls. Three came off the first three balls of Ellison's final over but Taylor then ended the calculations abruptly pulling the fourth ball of the over for six.

Until Moir's arrival, the performance of the Kent batsmen had seemed certain to give their side a fairly comfortable victory as they took their toll of some ragged Deryshire bowling. Aslett and Taylor sent them on their way in a second wicket partnership of 88 in 20 overs.

KENT

DERBYSHIRE (4pts) WON BY 1 WICKET

L Potter c Newman b Broom	4
N Taylor c and b Moir	46
D G Aslett c Fowler b Roberts	58
C S Cowdrey c Miller b Roberts	59
R M Ellison b Moir	43
G W Johnson not out	12
C Penn b Moir	3
*C J Tavare not out	12
Extras (b 3, l-b 8, w 7)	18
Total (6 wkts, 40 overs)	255

†S Marsh, T M Alderman and K B S Jarvis did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–14, 2–102, 3–122, 4–218, 5–226, 6–243.

BOWLING: Broom 8–0–21–1; Newman 8-0-35–0; Miller 6–0–50–0; Roberts 8–0–78–2; Moir 8–0–54–3.

DERBYSHIRE:

*K J Barnett, l-b-w, b Ellison	1
J G Wright, c Penn, b Cowdrey	34
A Hill, c Marsh, b Cowdrey	8
J E Morris, c Cowdrey, b Alderman	16
G Miller, l-b-w, b Penn	18
W P Fowler, b Jarvis	41
B Roberts, c Alderman, b Jarvis	7
P G Newman, c Potter, b Penn	6
D G Moir, run out	79
† R W Taylor, not out	29
I Broom, not out	2
Extras (b l, l-b 13, n-b 1)	15
Total (9 wkts, 39.4 overs)	256

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–12, 2–31, 3–64, 4–72, 5–118, 6–125, 7–142, 8–142, 9–247, 10–256.

BOWLING: Jarvis, 8-0-47-2, Ellison, 7.4-0-43-1, Cowdrey, 8-0-45-2, Alderman, 8-0-49-1, Penn, 8-0-0-57-2.

Umpires: D J Constant and N J Plews.

Selection celebrated

Two young opening batsman called up by England for the second Test match against West Indies at Lord's on Thursday celebrated with fine displays yesterday. Martyn Moxon, of Yorkshire scored a stylish 61 against Northamptonshire and Chris Broad collected the top score of 62 for Nottinghamshire at Grace Road.

Yorkshire chased to their fourth Sunday win of the summer as they beat Northamptonshire by four wickets with four balls to spare at Luton to boost their hopes of retaining the John Player League title. Moxon forced his partner Geoff Boycott to take a back seat in an opening stand of 103 as Yorkshire went after the home total of 209 for four.

Broad also took the wicket of test captain David Gower as Leicestershire were beaten by six wickets. The 26-year-old Nottingham opener struck five fours;

After their three-run win against Yorkshire in the Benson Hedges Cup semi-final, Warwickshire saw the other side of a close finish when they lost by four runs against Somerset at Edgbaston.

Gatting's assault

By Marcus Williams

THE OVAL: Middlesex (4 pts) beat Surrey by 74 runs. Middlesex strengthened their position at the head of the John Player League with an authorative all-round display against Surrey yesterday. Gatting's 68-minute century, his first in limited-overs cricket, took Middlesex to a demanding 248 for five off 39 overs and, despite a well made half-century from Lynch, victory was well beyond Surrey's reach after they had lost their first four wickets for 66.

As on previous Sundays, Middlesex showed the purpose and efficiency that has been sadly lacking in the championship this season. Howarth put Middlesex in and the total was already 13 when Barlow was stumped off the last ball of the second over, well out of his ground to the medium-paced Monkhouse. Radley, venturing to cut a straight ball once to often, was bowled by Pocock.

Gatting immedeately announced his intentions by hitting Pocock for six to square leg and, as Slack captured the mood and hit two sixes of his own, the run rate soared.

MIDDLESEX

G D Barlow st Richards b Monkhouse	5
C T Radleyb Pocock	42
W N Slack c Richards b Clarke	68
*M W W Gatting not out	103
R O Butcher c Richards b Clarke	5
†K P Tomlins c Clarke b Pocock	2
P R Downton not out	2
Extras (b 1, l-b 20, w 2)	23
Total (5 wkts, 39 overs)	248

J Emburey, P H Edmonds, W W Daniel and N G Cowans did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–32, 2–87, 3–218, 4–224, 5–228.

BOWLING: Monkhouse 8-0-27-1, Thomas 5-0-40-0, Knight 7-0-37-0, Clarke 7-0-41-2, Feltham 4-0-26-0, Pocock 8-0-54-2.

SURREY

A R Butcher c Gatting b Slack	18
*G P Howarth b Edmonds	17
R D V Knight l-b-w b Edmonds	16
M A Lynch not out	65
A J Stewart run out	4
†C J Richards c Radley b Daniel	29
D J Thomas run out	3
M A Feltham c Barlow b Emburey	1
G Monkhouse c Cowans b Daniel	0
P I Pocock b Emburey	4
Extras (l-b 10, w 6)	16
Total (38.5 overs)	174

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–31, 2–58, 3–59, 4–66, 5–134, 6–136, 7–145, 8–156, 9–159, 10–174.

BOWLING: Slack 8-1-33-1, Cowans 4-0-15-0, Daniel 8-0-20-2, Edmonds 8-0-43-2, Emburey 7.5-0-28-2, Gatting 3-0-19-0.

Umpires: H Bird and W Alley.

John Player League

	P	W	L	T	NR	Pts
Middlesex (8)	8	6	0	1	1	28
Essex (6)	6	4	1	1	0	18
Notts (15)	8	4	3	0	1	18
Sussex (4)	7	3	1	0	3	18
Lancashire (8)	6	4	2	0	0	16
Surrey (11)	8	3	3	0	2	16
Worcs (11)	6	3	1	0	2	16
Yorkshire (1)	6	4	2	0	0	16
Derbyshire (6)	7	3	3	0	1	14
Glamorgan (10)	7	2	3	0	2	12
Gloucs (14)	7	2	3	0	2	12
Somerset (2)	7	2	3	0	2	12
Hampshire (5)	6	2	4	0	0	8
Leics (11)	7	1	4	0	2	8
Warwicks (17)	6	1	3	0	2	8
Kent (3)	6	1	4	0	1	6
Northants (15)	6	0	5	0	1	2

(1983 positions in brackets)

HAMPSHIRE

V P Terry b Lawrence	25
D R Turner b Bainbridge	45
T E Jesty b Sainsbury	0
M C J Nicholas c Bainbridge b Sainsbury	106
C L Smith c Athey b Lawrence	58
E L Reifer c Lawrence b Bainbridge	6
*N E J Pocock not out	3
N G Cowley b Bainbridge	0
T M Tremlett not out	1
Extras (b1, l-b 13, w 2)	16
Total (7 wkts, 38 overs)	262

†R J Parks and C A Connor did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–36, 2–43, 3–96, 4–244, 5–251, 6–259, 7–259.

BOWLING: Sainsbury 7-0-56-2, Lawrence 8-0-52-2, Shepherd 8-0-44-0, Bainbridge 8-0-44-0, Graveney 6-0-32-0, Trembath 1-0-15-0.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE

A W Stovold b Tremlett	12
C W J Athey b Connor	6
*Zaheer Abbas st Parks b Tremlett	46
P Bainbridge b Connor	4
P W Romaines c Turner b Cowley	3
†J N Shepherd c Turner b Cowley	4
R C Russell c Tremlett b Reifer	5
D A Graveney st Parks b Smith	22
C R Trembath b Connor	1
D V Lawrence b Smith	17
G E Sainsbury not out	4
Extras (l-b 2, w 11, n-b)	15
Total (34.1 overs)	140

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–17, 2–20, 3–32, 4–41, 5–68, 6–84, 7–102, 8–103, 9–135, 10–140.

BOWLING: Connor 7-1-14-3, Tremett 8-0-43-2, Nicholas 4-0-25-0, Cowley 4-0-26-0, Reifer 4-0-15-1, Smith 2.1-1-3-2, Turner 1-0-6-0.

Umpires: P Eele and A Jepson.

Warwicks v Somerset

AT EDGBASTON

Somerset (4pts) won by 4 runs.

SOMERSET

P W Denning l-b-w b Willis	8
P M Roebuck run out	13
M D Crowe c Willis b Small	21
*I T Botham l-b-w b Lethbridge	44
N F M Popplewell c Lethbridge b Ferreira	29
B C Rose run out	31
V J Marks b Small	6
G V Palmer c Humpage b Willis	6
†T Gard not out	8
C H Dredge b Small	9
Extras (l-b 8 w 4, n-b 5)	17
Total (9 wkts, 40 overs)	192

M R Davis did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–22, 2–25, 3–70, 4–102, 5–151, 6–158, 7–170, 8–171, 9–192.

BOWLING: Willis 8-1-27-2, Old 8-0-34-0, Small 8-0-41-3, Lethbridge 8-0-45-1, Ferreira 8-0-28-1.

WARWICKSHIRE

D L Amiss b Marks	54
R I H Dyer c Denning b Marks	12
A I Kallicharran c Gard b Palmer	38
†G W Humpage c Botham b Dredge	31
P A Smith c Denning b Crowe	1
A M Ferreira c and b Dredge	25
C Lethbridge not out	17
C M Old not out	4
Extras (b 1, l-b 4, w 1)	4
Total (6 wkts, 40 overs)	188

G C Small, N Gifford and *R G D Willis did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–43, 2–98, 3–109, 4–114, 5–145, 6–178.

BOWLING:

Umpires: J W Holder and R A White.

Sussex v Glamorgan

AT HOVE

Sussex (4pts) won by 38 runs

SUSSEX

A M Green b Thomas	10
†I J Gould c Steele b Selvey	38
P W G Parker c Jones B Steele	27
C M Wells c Selvey b Thomas	38
A P Wells c and b Steele	10
I A Greig l-b-w B Thomas	16
G S le Roux not out	47
C P Phillipson not out	3
Extras (l-b 15, w 6, n-b 1)	22
Total (6 wkts 40 overs)	211

D A Reeve, *J R T Barclay and C E Waller did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–28, 2–75, 3–94, 4–128, 5–154, 6–163.

BOWLING: Barwick 8–0–59–0, Thomas 8–0–46–3, Selvey 8–0–22–1, Holmes 6–2–30–0, Steele 8–0–32–2.

GLAMORGAN

J A Hopkins l-b-w b C M Wells	8
A L Jones b le Roux	1
Younis Ahmed b C M Wells	15
Javed Miandad b Reeve	22
R C Ontong b Reeve	45
G C Holmes c Parker b Greig	36
J G Thomas b Reeve	12
J F Steele c Barclay b le Roux	16
†T Davis not out	9
*M W Selvey not out	5
Extras (l-b 4)	4
Total (8 wkts, 40 overs)	173

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–2, 2–24, 3–26, 4–64, 5–107, 6–131, 7–158, 8–161.

BOWLING: C M Wells 8-2-20-2, le Roux 8-1-36-2, Greig 8-1-49-1, Reeve 8-0-32-3, Waller 8-0-38-0.

Umpires: M J Kitchen and R Palmer.

Northants v Yorkshire

AT LUTON

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

*G Cook st Bairstow b Carrick	54
W Larkins c Moxon b Stevenson	43
A J Lamb st Bairstow b Carrick	21
R G Williams not out	44
R J Bailey c Bairstow b Oldham	5
D J Wild not out	21
Extras (l-b 7, w 2, n-b 2)	11
Total (4 wkts, 40 overs)	209

M J Bamber, †G Sharp, N A Mallender, A Walker and B J Griffiths did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–85, 2–129, 3–142, 4–161.

BOWLING: Sidebottom 8–0–27–0, Fletcher 8–0–21–0, Stevenson 8–0–41–1, Oldham 8–0–29–1, Moxon 3–0–21–0, Carrick 5–0–29–2.

YORKSHIRE

G Boycott c Larkins b Wild	41
M D Moxon st Sharp b Wild	61
A A Metcalfe st Sharp b Williams	18
K Sharp not out	45
G B Stevenson run out	0
†J D Love b Walker	14
*D L Bairstow lbw b Griffiths	8
A Sidebottom not out	9
Extras (b 13, w 1)	14
Total (6 wkts, 39.2 overs)	210

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–103; 2–114, 3–147, 4–147, 5–172, 6–187.

BOWLING: Walker 8-1-24-1, Griffiths 7.2-0-41-1, Williams 8-0-38-1, Mallender 8-0-47-0, Wild 8-0-46-2

Yorkshire (4pts) won by 4 wickets.

Leicestershire v Notts

AT LEICESTER

Nottinghamshire (4pts) won by 6 wickets.

LEICESTERSHIRE

I P Butcher c Hemmings b Hadlee	13
J J Whitaker b Pick	6
D I Gower c Johnson b Broad	48
P Willey c Hadlee b Pick	1
T J Boon b Broad	48
†N E Briers c Scott b Pick	10
M A Garnham not out	26
P B Clift b Hadlee	13
G J Parsons b Pick	10
Extras (l-b 7, w 1, n-b3)	11
Total (8 wkts, 40 overs)	186

A M Roberts and J P Agnew *did not* bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–21, 2–21, 3–36, 4–120, 5–126, 6–145, 7–175, 8–186.

BOWLING: Hadlee 8-1-28-2, Pick 8-1-38-4, Cooper 8-1-28-0, Broad 8-0-41-2, Hemmings 8-0-42-0.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

B C Broad c Garnham b Agnew	62
R T Robinson b Agnew	13
*C E B Rice c Willey b Parsons	8
J D Birch b Willey	3
D W Randall not out	47
R J Hadlee not out	32
Extras (b 1, l-b 17, w 5)	23
Total (4 wkts, 38.2 overs)	188

P Johnson, †C W Scott, E E Hemmings, R A Pick and K E Cooper did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–28, 2–42, 3–81, 4–116.

BOWLING: Agnew 8-0-35-2, Parsons 8-0-25-1, Willey 8-1-28-1, Roberts 7-0-30-0, Clift 7.2-0-28-1.

Umpires: C Cook and A G T Whitehead.

Lancashire v Worcester

Lancashire (4pts) won by 97 runs.

AT OLD TRAFFORD

LANCASHIRE

G Fowler c Humphries b Inchmore	64
S J O'Shaughnessy c Smith b Ellcock	6
*J Abrahams c and b Patel	12
D P Hughes b d'Oliveira	9
N M Fairbrother c Humphries b Inchmore	15
S T Jefferies c Curtis b Illingworth	28
J Simmons not out	24
M Watkinson not out	22
Extras (b 1, l-b 13, w 4, n-b 1)	19
Total (6 wkts, 40 overs)	199

P J W Allott, †J Stanworth and D J Makinson did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–10, 2–39, 3–62, 4–94, 5–151, 6–151.

BOWLING: Pridgeon 6-1-24-0, Ellcock 7-0-37-1, Patel 8-1-19-1, Inchmore 8-0-42-2, d'Oliveira 4-0-29-1, Illingworth 7-0-29-1.

WORCESTERSHIRE

T S Curtis b Allott	12
M J Weston b Allott	6
D N Patel c Watkinson b Jefferies	2
D M Smith run out	12
*P A Neale c Abrahams b Makinson	30
D B d'Oliveira b Makinson	3
†D J Humphries c Hughes b O'Shghnesy	13
J D Inchmore b Jefferies	14
R K Illingworth not out	1
R M Ellcock c Stanworth b Jefferies	0
A P Pridgeon c Stanworth b Jefferies	2
Extras (l-b 6, w 1)	7
Total (32.1 overs)	102

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–19, 2–20, 3–25, 4–49, 5–61, 6–82, 7–85, 8–100, 9–100, 10–102.

BOWLING: Allott 5–2–4–2, Jefferies 6.1–1–20–4, Watkinson 5–0–22–0, Makinson 8–0–24–2, Simmons 5–0–19–0, O'Shaughnessy 3–0–6–1.

Umpires: D R Shepherd and J A Jameson.

Saturday's cricket

County championship

DERBY: Derbyshire 199 (63.2 overs; R M Ellison 4 for 34); Kent 87 for 2 (41 overs). Bonus points: Derbyshire 1, Kent 4.

BRISTOL: Hampshire 351 for 4 (V Terry 175 not out, C L Smith 78; 100 overs: 284 for 3). Bonus points: Gloucestershire 1, Hampshire 3.

OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire 119 for 3 (65 overs). Bonus points: Worcestershire 3.

LEICESTER: Nottinghamshire 289 for 4 (77.4 overs; B T Robinson 149 not out). Bonus points: Leicestershire 1, Nottinghamshire 3.

NORTHAMPTON: Yorkshire 255 for 6 (97.4 overs; M D Moxon 90, A A Metcalfe 58). Bonus points: Northamptonshire 2, Yorkshire 3.

THE OVAL: Middlesex 155 (63.1 overs; R D V Knight 4 for 7); Surrey 64 for 3 (21.4 overs).

HOVE: Glamorgan 255 for 5 (100 overs: 222 for 5; Younis Ahmed 106 not out, J A Hopkins 74). Bonus points: Sussex 2, Glamorgan 2.

EDGBASTON: Somerset 354 for 8 dec (100 overs: 322 for 6; P M Roebuck 102, N F M Popplewell 90); Warwickshire 21 for no wkt (6 overs). Bonus points: Warwickshire 2, Somerset 4.

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ATHLETICS: PETER ELLIOTT LAYS CLAIM TO LAST OLYMPIC 1500M PLACE

Coe concedes in final trial

By Pat Butcher

The strength and frailty of athletic performance was never better demonstrated than in two incidents, an hour apart at the AAA Championships at Crystal Palace yesterday. The strength is British middle distance running, whose continuing depth was exposed by Peter Elliott's victory over Sebastian Coe, which is probably going to prevent the Olympic champion defending his title in Los Angeles. The frailty is the human frame, and unfortunately, in this case it belongs to Steve Cram, who was brought to heel by an Achilles tendon injury in the 800m which he none the less won.

With Cram and Ovett already selected for the Olympic 1500m race was effectively the final Olympic trial. The selectors met immediately afterwards to make the last additions to the Olympic team.

The race, with probably a couple too many participants, was a rough house, which exposed both Elliott's tactical naivety – it was only his fourth major race at the distance – and the tenacity he has always shown.

Elliott was bumped and boxed for most of the race and had to run right around the pack with 300 metres to go to get to the front with Coe, who stumbled badly in mid-race. When Elliott passed Coe with 300 metres to go, it was already evident that the Olympic champion's recent injury had imparied his ability to react swiftly.

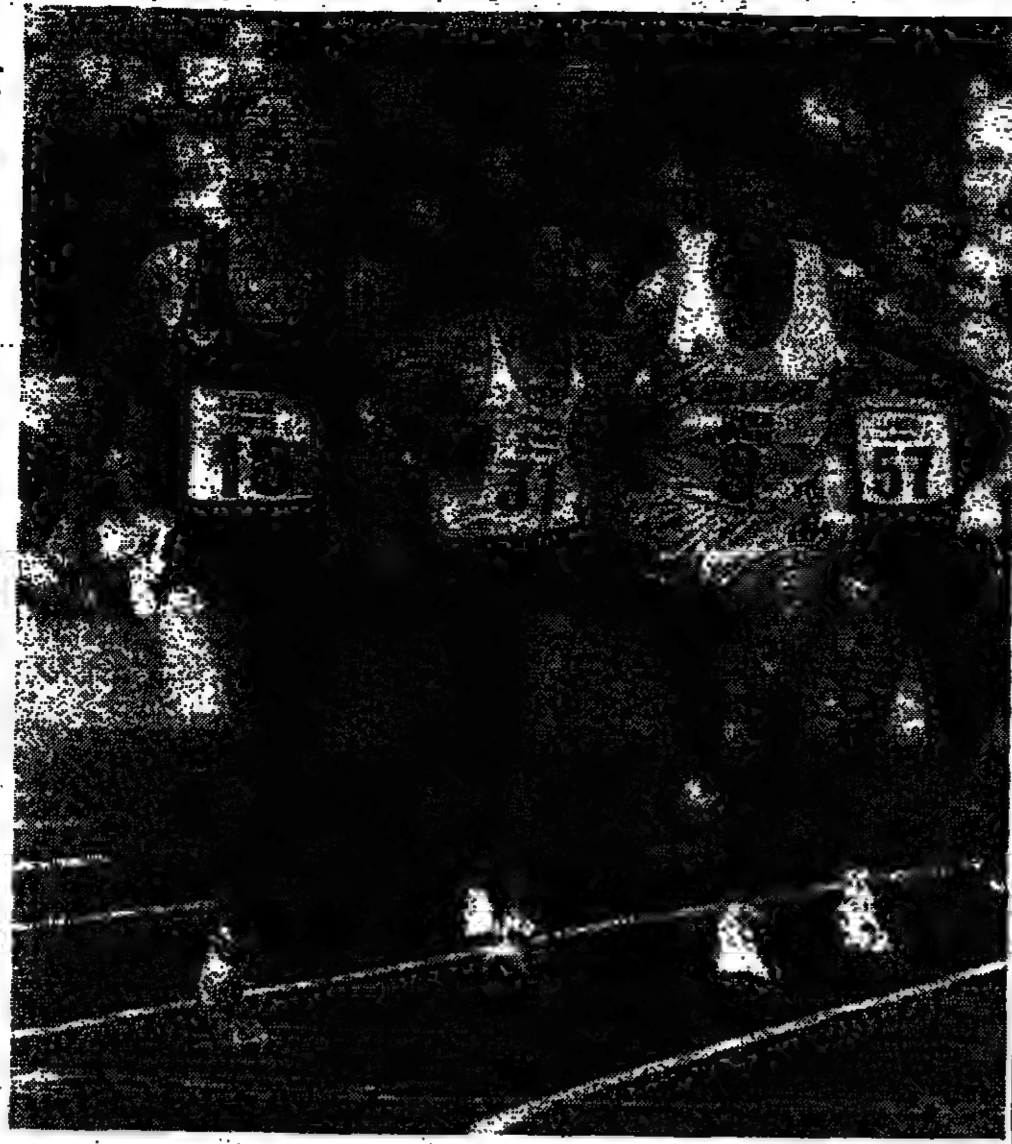
Then Coe passed Elliott coming into the final straight and it looked as if his better tactical sense had paid off. Elliott, seeing that Coe had taken the inside lane for his final drive to the tape, was able to side step and still get in a sprint that brought the crowd to its feet. He eased past Coe five metres from the finish line, to win in 3min 39.66sec.

Coe's immediate congratulations to Elliott seemed to signify acceptance that he would not be defending his Olympic title, but Elliott's reaction afterwards was to wait and see until this morning's team announcement.

It is too early to consider seriously whether the aggravation of Cram's Achilles tendon problem, which he has had all week, is going to jeopardize his Olympic place and the opportunity to crown two marvellous years, in which he has won the European, Commonwealth and world 1,500 metres titles, with the Olympic gold medal.

He pulled up desperately in the last few metres, but his lead was sufficient to win the 800 metres in 1min 46.84sec. He limped off the track, then lay on the infield for half an hour surrounded by photographers and reporters, while he had his right ankle iced and strapped up. He said afterwards that unless it was simply a cramp and a muscle pull above the tendon, which would probably clear up by today, then he would certainly not be racing the 1,000 metres in Oslo that he had planned for next Thursday.

Rob Harrison won the rush to catch the ailing Cram, but his time of 1min 46.90sec will almost certanly not be enough to persuade the selectors to leave open the remaining place – with Coe and Elliott – at 800 metres in Los Angeles, that Steve Ovett, the current Olympic champion, wants. There is still, theoretically, until July 17 for final names tobe given to the Olympic organizers.



By a neck: Elliott pips Coe on the line. Photograph: Ian Stewart.

The 3,000 metres steeplechase was another duel for the last Olympic place which proved as exciting on the track as it had looked on paper. Domingo Ramon of Spain, was an Olympic finalist in Moscow and, judging by his sprint away on the last lap, will be again in Los Angeles. But Paul Davies-Hale got the better of Graham Fell, the UK record holder, for second place in a last lap when they, like Coe and Elliott in the 1,500 metres, swapped the lead three times.

Todd Bennett won yet again in the 200 metres, but only passed Buster Watson 40 metres from the tape. Watson's time of 20.93 seconds behind Bennett's 20.79 seconds should be enough, however, to get him to Los Angeles with Allan Wells and Ade Mafe, for Bennett was only using the race as preparation for the Olympic 400 metres.

Bennett will have been as impressed as everyone else by Darren Clark's victory in the 400 metres in 45.66 seconds. Clark, from Australia, is a potential Olympic medal winner. In the one-lap hurdle race, Garry Oakes, Britain's Moscow Olympic hero, had the last place for Los Angles usurped by the little-known Martin Gillingham

FINALS AT CRYSTAL PALACE

200 METRES: 1, T Bennett (Southampton and Eastleigh), 20.79sec; 2, B Watson (Birchfield), 20.93; 3, L Asquith (Birchfield), 21.10; 4, J Bennett (Birchfield), 21.16; 5, D Parker (Salisbury), 21.20; 6, M St Louis (Herne Hill), 21.19.
400 METRES: 1, D Clarke (Aus), 45.66sec; 2, G Tacoh (Ivory Coast), 45.81; 3, M Paul (Tri), 45.88; 4, A Slack (Wakefield), 46.51; 5, R Brown (Birchfield), 46.76; 6, R Dickens (Shaftesbury), 46.89.
800 METRES: 1, S Cram (Yarrow and Hebburn), 1min 46.84sec; 2, R Harrison (Liverpool), 1:46.90; 3, J Mayes (LS), 1:46.91; 4, G Cook (Wolverhampton and Bilston), 1:46.96; 5, S Crabb (Enfield), 1:47.31; 6, J Gladwin (Belgrave), 1:47.47.
1,500m: 1, P Elliott (Rotherham), 3min 39.66sec; 2, S Coe (Haringey) 3:39.79; 3, L Martin (Basildon) 3:41.02; 4, G Williamson (Wolverhampton and Bilston) 3:41.29; 5, T Moloney (Corby) 3:41.55; 6, C Lewellyn (Ft) 3:42.02.
5,000m: 1, R Flynn (Longford) 13min 19.52sec; 2, N Rose (Bristol) 13:22.00; 3, T Hutchings (Crawley) 13:26.17; 4, D Lewis (Rossendale) 13:27.03; 5, J Treacy (Delee) 13:31.04; 6, J Garcia (Sp) 13:37.14.
110m HURDLES: 1, D Walker (Cardiff), 13.78sec; 2, W Greaves (Haringey) 14.03; 3, H Teape (Enfield) 14.7; 4, J Ridgeon (Cambridge and Coleridge) 14.18; 5, P Barthropp (Epsom and Ewell) 14.28; 6, T Clifton (Woodford Green) 14.31.
400M HURDLES: 1, M Gillingham (Shaftesbury), 50.24sec; 2, G Oakes (Haringey), 50.47; 3, S Sole (Haslemahire), 50.70; 4, M Whittingham (Herne Hill), 50.80; 5, M Whitey (Luton), 50.94; 6, S Devine (Edinburgh Southern), 51.28.
3,000M STEEPLECHASE: 1, D Ramon (SP), 8min 23.12sec; 2, P Davies-Hale (Cannock Chase) 8:24.07; 3, G Fell (Newham), 8:25.48; 4, L O'Brien (Middleton), 8:27.24; 5, P Deenens (Bel), 8:32.57; 6, S Wedderburn (Tipton), 8:42.49.
POLE VAULT: 1, J Gutteridge (Windsor, Slough and Eton) 5.40 metres; 2, K Hooper (Woking) 5.30; 3, K Stock (Haringey) 5.20; 4, L Jessee (US) 5.10.
LONG JUMP: 1, F Sade (Shaftesbury), 7.56 metres; 2, D Burgess (Haringey), 7.54; 3, J Herbert (Haringey), 7.55; 4, D Brown (Longwood), 7.42; 5, S Segil (Nor), 7.42; 6, T Hart (Borough of Hounslow), 7.32.
HIGH JUMP: 1, J Centelles (Cuba), 2.30 metres; 2, J Stevenson (Shaftesbury), 2.27; 3, A Alfaro (Cuba), 2.25; 4, G Parsons (London), 2.22; 5, A Kruger (Liverpool and Pembroke), 2.19; 6, B Burgess (Nuneaton), 2.16.
JAVELIN: 1, D Ottley (Telford), 81.34 metres; 2, M Hamlyn (Haringey), 78.42; 3, R Garcia (Cuba), 78.24; 4, A Osbourne (Birchfield), 74.14; 5, J Trower (Brighton), 71.24; 6, M Hill (Leeds), 71.06.
SHOT: 1, M Winch (Birchfield), 18.39 metres; 2, P Nelson (Aus), 18.23; 3, P Gusoni (Cuba), 18.12; 4, A Vince (Wolverhampton and Bilston), 18.71; 5, M Antoine (Haringey), 16.63; 6, R Cole (Thurrock), 15.55.
SATURDAY: 100 METRES: 1, D Reid (Shaftesbury), 10.42sec; 2, L Christie (Thames Valley), 10.48; 3, E Cutting (RAF), 10.48.
10,000m: 1, S Jones (Bristol), 28min 9.67sec; 2, M McLeod (Elswick), 28:10.87; 3, J Goater (Shaftesbury), 28:17.62.
3,000m walk: 1, P Vesty (Leicester), 11min 42.84sec (UK record); 2, T Berrett (Tonbridge) 11:54.23 (UK junior record); 3, R Mills (Ilford), 12:13.52.
Triple jump: 1, L Betancourt (Cuba), 16.93 metres; 2, L Bacirdes (Cuba), 16.80; 3, J Rayne (Cuba), 16.74.
Discus: 1, R Weir (Birchfield), 62.50 metres; 2, B Cooper (Bahamas), 60.80; 3, P Nandapl (Aus) 60.40.
Hammer: 1, D Smith (Hull), 72.40 metres; 2, R Weir (Birchfield), 71.78; 3, P Dickenson (Enfield), 70.24.

Protest behind Miss Benning

Christine Benning expects to be named for the Olympic Games 1,500 metres today, and this time she will be happy to accept the invitation. Four years ago, she staged her own private boycott of the Moscow Olympics when three Eastern bloc middle distance runners were reinstated by the International Amateur Athletic Federation in time for the Olympics after being banned for life for taking drugs.

The athletes were Natalia Marasescu and Iliena Silai, of Romania, and Totka Petrova, of Bulgaria. "I felt very strongly about this decision as the three athletes were relieved of their punishment," the former Commonwealth Games silver medal winner said.

"So the rest of the athletes suffered the punishment in having to compete with them. I would have given up my job and made a lot of other sacrifices. I trained to the point of over-training. Then they were allowed back. It was very disheartening," she said.

Miss Benning would have preferred to compete against Eastern bloc athletes in Los Angeles, as she feels their non-attendance will detract from the competition. "Drug taking is not just the prerogative of the Eastern bloc," she said, seemingly resigned to the fact that she must compete against athletes who take drugs.

Miss Benning made sure of Olympic selection when she won the 3,000 metres in 8 min 55.31 sec for England against Scotland, Wales and Yugoslavia at Birmingham on Saturday.



Miss Benning: 1980 boycott.

A week earlier, she had taken the women's AAA 1,500 metres.

"I have been asked to nam my preference and I've gone for the 1,500 metres," she said. "Two weeks ago I was out in the cold and now I have the choice of two events. It is rather unbeliveable."

Miss Benning's preference appears to offer a ray of hope to Wendy Sly, who appeared in two World Championship final's, after the setbacks of recent weeks.

She dropped out of Saturday's 3,000 metres with two and three-quarter laps to go when she suffered a recurrence of an Achilles tendor injury. "I should not have run on Saturday. I was risking to much too soon, but after missing the Olympic trials and the women's AAA championship with influenza, I just panicked," she said.

Miss Sly feels that she can be fit in time for the Games, if selectors show faith in her.

Zola Budd, already picked for the Olympic 3,000 metres, continued her successful run, winning the 1,500 metres by some 40 metres in 4 min 14.22 sec.

RESULTS: 100 metres: S Jacobs (E), 11.35sec; 200m: K Cook (E), 23.24; 400m: H Barrett (E), 53.38; 800m: C Boxer (E), 2:2.01; 1,500m: Z Budd (E), 4; 14.22; 3,000m: C Benning (E), 8:55.31; 100m hurdles: S Strong (E), 12.85; 400m hurdles: S Morley (E), 58.68; 4 x 100m relay: England, 44.454; 4 x 400m relay: England, 3:37.01; Discus: L Whitsley (E), 54.44m; High jump: L Lapajne (Y), 1.88; Javelin: T Sanderson (E), 62.52; Long jump: S Hearnshaw (E), 6.88; Shot: J Oakes (E), 17.88. Match results: 1, England, 195pts; 2, Yugoslavia, 138; 3, Scotland, 101; 4, Wales, 68.

Women promised 10,000m

Los Angeles (AP) – The women's 10,000-metres, which never has been a part of the Olympics, will be included in the 1988 Games, the president of the International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF) said yesterday.

"I am happy to inform the ladies that the IAAF has decided to put the 10,000m – beginning next year – in all official competitions so that when we arrive at 1988 we will have four years of experience," Primo Nebiolo told a press conference at the United States Olympic trials.

Nebiolo said the IAAF had decided to follow the suggestion of their women's committee and maintain the women's 3,000 metres in its competitions

A first for Miss Decker

Los Angeles (Agencies) – Mary Decker won the women's 3,000 metres in the United States Olympic trials on Saturday night in 8min 34.91sec, the fastest by an American and the second-fastest in the world this year.

In 1980, she made the Olympic team in the 1,500 metres but did not compete in the Games because of the United States boycott of Moscow. In 1976, she was suffering from shin splints and lower leg ailments which necessitated two operations and she did not compete in the trials. And in 1972, she was only 13, one year under the allowable age of participating in the Olympics, and was not allowed in the trials.

Two other American record holders – Stephanie Hightower in the 100m hurdles and Ben Plucknett in the discus – were eliminated.

MEN: 3,000 steeplechase: 1, H Marsh 8:15.91; 2, B Diemer 8:17.00; 3, J Gregorek 8:18.45. Shot: 1, D Laut 21.35m; 2, A Wolf 21.24m; 3, M Carter 20.84m; Discus: 1, J Powell 67.14m; 2, M Wilkins 66.14m; 3, A B Burns 58.54m. Decathlon: 1, J Crist 8,102pts; 2, T Bright 8,098; 3, J Wooding 8,0720. 50km walk: 1, M Evoniuk 4hrs 2min 25sec; 2, V O'Sullivan 4:14:04; 3, C Schuler 4:15:06.

WOMEN: 3,000m: 1, M Decker 8:34.91; 2, C Bremser 8:41.15; 3, J Hansen 8:41.43. 100m hurdles: 1, K Turner 13.12sec; 2, B Fitzgerald-Brown 13.19; 3, R Page 13.13. High jump: 1, L Ritter 1.92m; 2, P Spencer 1.89m; 3, J Huntley 1.89m. 200m: 1, V Brisco-Hooks 22.16sec; 2, F Griffith 22.40; 3, R Givens 22.59.

EQUESTRIANISM

Sponsors must be jumping for joy

From Jenny MacArthur Aachen

Paul Schockemöhle, of West Germany, the favourite to win an Olympic gold medal, gave his new sponsors, the Next fashion group, an unbelievable start to their three-day old sponsorship when riding Deister he won yesterday's Aachen Grand Prix after one of the most exciting jump-offs in the history of the competition. It was Schockemöhle's third victory in the competition, the last occasion being 1979.

France's Olympic team member, Frederic Cottier, with Flambeau, finished second, and Britain's Michael Whitaker, also one of the Next team, completed his 14th clear round in succession on the outstanding mare, Overton Amanda, to take third place. Whitaker, who has filled one of the top three places in no less than seven classes here, finished runner-up to Schockemöhle in the leading rider table. David Bowen, riding Brindle Boy, made up for four faults in the first round with an inspired second round to finish fifth.

Eighteen horses went into the second round, in which Whitaker was the first to achieve a second clear. He was quickly joined by Fritz Ligges on Ramzes, one of four West German riders fighting for the last two places in their Olympic team, followed by Cottier and Schockemöhle.

In the four-horse jump-off, Whitaker had the disadvantage of going first. He set off at breakneck speed, and completed the course clear in 49.17sec.

Ligges went for a slow clear on the relatively inexperienced home-bred Ramzes, but a fence down relegated them to fourth place. Nothing, however, was holding back the experienced Cottier. Flambeau, who missed much of last year through injury, looked every inch the Olympic horse he is as he flew round to record a clear three quarters of a second ahead of Whitaker.

No rider is safe when the European champion on the great Deister is last to go. Schockemöhle had the 45,000-strong crowd gasping as Deister appeared to only just clear the fences. But every pole stayed in place, and with the fine precision which has made him the champion he is, the crowd's hero finished in the winning time of 46.38sec.

The West Germans, the favourites to win the dressage gold medal in Los Angeles, underlined their strength when they filled the first four places in yesterday's Grand Prix Special having easily won the team competition the previous day.

Reiner Klimke, the world champion, who, in the absence of Anne Grethe Jensen, of Denmark, has reigned supreme here, finished nearly 100 marks ahead of his closest rival, Uwe Sauer with Montevideo. Klimke's confident, accurate test on Ahlerich showed no sign of the tenseness which marked him down here last year.

Jennie Loriston-Clarke and a fit-looking Dutch Courage gave a reliable rather than inspired performance, to finish eighth, which in this exalted company bodes well for the Olympics. The third member in the British Olympic dressage team is now almost certain to be Jane Wilson, and Pinocchio who, put under considerably more pressure here than they are likely to be at Los Angeles, performed an above-average test in Saturday's Grand Prix to finish 17th.

RESULTS: Grand Prix Special: 1, Ahlerich (R Klimke, WG) 1465 pts; 2, Montevideo (U Sauer, WG) 1372; 3, Muscadeur (H Krug WG) 1363.
DRESSAGE team placings: 1, WG 5085; 2, USSR 4772; 3, France 4689; 6, GB 4587.
DRESSAGE KUR COMPETITION: 1, Fresh Wind (D D'Esmé, Fr) 114.3; 2, Satchmo (B Chasson-Bonello, Can) 104.5; 3, Pinocchio (J Wilson) 103.8.
JUMPING RELAY: 1, Courtway (M Whitaker) with San Francisco (D Bowen) 0 in 98.50 sec; 2, Pirast (G Meer, Neth) with Surprice, E Hendrix, Neth) 0 in 111.18; 3, Gondolier (T Fruhmann, Austria) with Greefin (H Simon, Austria) 5 in 116.53.
AACHEN GRAND PRIX: 1, Deister (P Schockemöhle, WG) in 46.38 sec; 2, Flambeau (F Cottier, Fr) 0 in 46.61; 3, Overton Amanda (M Whitaker) 0 in 49.17

FOOTBALL: EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP

France's attacking spirit brightens up the game

From David Miller, Marseilles

France 3
Portugal 2
after extra time

From that moment when France finally sank in the 1982 World Cup semi-final, my last memory is of Maxime Bossis, his penalty kick having been saved, looking up into the night sky of Seville, eyes drained, reflectively licking dry lips and coming to terms with the cruelty of some defeats. It was Bossis I was thinking of as the last minutes of extra-time edged gallant Portugal towards another crushing reversal of French fortunes in the packed patriotic velodrome.

We might all love this French team, but there is no arguing. They had begun this European Championship semi-final with several players exhibiting blatant over-confidence, and had been matched stride for stride by Portugal's defensive mobility until the French left back, Domergue, lashed in a free kick after 24 minutes, following Pacheco's foul on Platini. France were looking ordinary, and if there was a match winner on the pitch, at half-time you would have said it was probably Chalana, his cat-like balance, change of pace and exceptional left foot consistently threatening France's right flank as he changed defence into attack in the bat of an eye.

Then, for a quarter of an hour in the second half, France improved. Fernandez's drive struck Bento, who also saved from Giresse. Twice more Giresse had openings, and Bento turned over a drive by Platini. Yet Portugal's manager, Cabrita, would throw in his last trump. Gomes had replaced Diamantino at half-time, and now the fluid Nene, the Benfica forward, came on for Sousa. Giresse had run himself out in support of the inadequate Six, and Lacombe up front, and it was Chalana who held the baton as again and again he orchestrated the Portuguese rhythm.

With 15 minutes to go, Jordao headed the equalizer from Chalana's cross and although Six had a shot deflected onto the bar and Platini was cynically chopped in the "D" in the 86th minute, extra-time arrived with Portugal smelling victory. Platini, captain and inspiration of previous triumphs, was in dejected, temperamental decline; after Bats had saved Nene's header early in extra time, Chalana, switching to the right, pitched the perfect far post cross which Jordao fortuitously mis-volleyed downwards and over Bats's head for a freakish, first-bounce goal.

Michel Hidalgo, having watched his dream evaporate, that recreation of improvised football as played by spontaneous 12-year-olds in a spirit of freedom, gambled his second attacking substitution: earlier Ferreri for Lacombe, now Bellone for Six. There were 20 minutes left to find fresh inspiration. But from where?

There will be those who say Portugal were lucky, yet that would be to deny the fundamental appeal of what France are giving to the game. Because France are committed, because they do not know how to be negative, they give other teams a chance to play too, and that is why we have had such outstanding matches. It is because France will always attack that they now were saved, and it was the irrepressible spirit of Bossis, Domergue, Fernadez and especially Tigana which lifted the when the superstars faltered. Bossis, nominally sweeper, and Tigana were covering the entire field with a willpower which Portugal could not resist.

There were just under six minutes left on the winking clock when Domergue, deputy for the suspended Amoros, lashed in the equalizer. Would France now defend, banking on luck in another wretched penalty lottery? Never. With 56 seconds remaining, Tigana sidestepped his way into the penalty area and Platini, with that escargot tweaker of a left foot, prised the goal which kept the car borns blaring and tyres squealing round the Vieux Port all night.

FRANCE: J Bats; M Bossis, P Battiston, Y Le Roux, M Platini, B Lacombe (J-M Ferreri), D Six (B Bellone).

PORTUGAL: M Bento, J Pinto, L Pereira, (T Nene), F Chalana, J Pacheco, M Diamantino (E Gomes), R Jordao

Most successful goal-scorers no longer lead the attack

Few centre forwards survive the flooding of midfield

Strasbourg, (Reuter) – While not yet looking as out of place as a dinosaur in a modern zoological garden, the old fashioned centre forward has become the endangered species of football.

While the England Manager, Bobby Robson may decide to persevere with the 4-2-4 line-up he used on the recently completed tour of South America, the current fashion is to flood the midfield, whether, as has been seen during the European Championship in France, it is Denmark's 3-5-2 formation or Portugal's 4-5-1.

Of course, the idea is not new, Pele, Johan Cruyff, Zico and Alfredo Di Stefano all started their careers as out-and-out strikers before assuming a more withdrawn position behind the attack.

But the Gerd Müller type of centre forward, muscular and assertive, are dying out, and the few survivors have found their roles subtely altered.

The managers no longer look to them even to score goals – the midfield players Michel Platini, Alain Giresse and Luis Fernandez have been France's most successful marksmen in the European finals – and their primary occupation now seems to be to chase long clearances and keep possession until the midfield arrives.

Even the Danes, who have two beautifully skilled frontmen in Michael Laudrup and Preben Elkjaer, look to midfield for goal power. Frank Arnesen, Klaus Berggren and John Lauridsen shared four in Denmark's 5-0 rout of Yugoslavia in Lyons on Saturday.

The West German team manager, Jupp Derwall, is another man who has acknowledged how important it is to establish a bridgehead in midfield, although his experiment of pulling his captain, Karl-Heinz Rummenigge, out of attack in a bid to plug the gap left by the likes of Gunther Netzer had to be scrapped.

With the honourable exception of Liverpool's Ian Rush, the goal-poacher has become a luxury few clubs or national teams can afford, which is why Platini, Giresse and Arnesen are all expected to fill the dual role of creator and finisher.

Müller: assertive.

GOLF

Mosey wins with his head in the clouds

From Michael Platts, Monte Carlo

Britain's Ian Mosey won the £100,000 Monte Carlo open tournament, reduced to only 36 holes by poor weather, with a superb six under par round of 63 on the Mont Agel course here yesterday. It gave him an aggregate of 131 and his first success on the European tour since the Merseyside International in 1980.

Mosey, who had 11 single putts, took six at the par four fourth when the course was shrouded in mist. But he went on to gather a total of six birdies and one eagle after play continued following two disruptions because of the conditions.

Mosey, who was partnered by Lee Trevino, won by four shots from Spain's Manuel Calero (67)) and Australia's Peter Fowler (68). He enjoyed a run of seven threes from the ninth.

This inaugural tournament, dominated by the fog, became a frustrating affair. It continued a familar script for Monte Carlo this year, since both the Formula One motor racing Grand Prix and the grand prix open tennis tournament here were disrupted by bad weather.

European golf, too, has had its fair share of problems with the Madrid and Italian opens affected by rain, and the PGA championship reduced to 54 holes.

The last time a European event was decided over 36 holes was in 1975 when Bob Shearer, of Australia, won the Madrid Open at Lomas Bosque. That tournament established the precedent that the prize-moeny should remain official. This time, the sponsors generously agreed to revise the prize fund based on 75 per cent of the original £100,000, so that the £17,000 first prize became £12,800 and it was agreed that each of the 139 professionals who started, would receive a minimum of £140. Moreover, Manuel Montes of Spain, was given £900 for the course record of 62

There is rumour of the prize fund being increased to £200,000 for next year. That is a significant sum, especially with the reduction of sponsors in Britain. So it is difficult to start criticizing the use of certain courses which are not comparable to the championship test in Britain.

Getting priorities right

By Lewine Mair

Most golf addicts would agree that Dale Reid, who on Saturday had a four to Kitrina Douglas's five at the third play-off hole to win the first prize in the UBM classic at Arcott Hall, has got her priorties right.

On Thursday, when she was asked about the recurring trouble she has had with an ulcer first diagnozed in February, she merely shrugged her shoulders and asked: "Who has the time to see a doctor?"

Leading final scores: 291, D Reid 73, 76, 71, 71. 291, K Douglas 71, 75, 71, 74. 292, A Nicholas 75, 75, 67, 75. 294, J Forrest 73, 71, 76, 74. 295, J Connachan, 75, 75, 75, 70. 296, S Allison, 72, 75, 75, 74; V Marvin 75, 75, 68, 78. 297, B Huke, 72, 74, 79, 72; R Comstock (US), 71, 76, 77, 73. 298, M Thomson, 69, 77, 81, 71, K Ehmlund (Swe), 74, 76, 75, 73, J Stasham, 72, 72, 77, 77. 299, J Lee Smith, 75, 78, 74, 72. 300, M Walker, 73, 75, 80, 72. 301, C Langford, 75, 72, 77, 77; 302, S Van Wyk (SA), 72, 84, 77, 69; B Lewis, 76, 76, 77, 73; J Smith, 75, 71, 79, 77; B Cooper, 74, 73, 76, 79.

MOTOR RALLYING

Audi team dominate second day

Auckland (Reuter) – Sug Blomqvist of Sweden, and Hanny Mikkola, of Finland, both of the Audi team, held the first two places after the second leg of the New Zealand motor rally, the seventh round in the world championship.

Blomqvist leads by seven seconds from Mikkola, followed by the Lancia driver, Markku Alen, of Finland and Toyota's Bjorn Waldegaard of Sweden, after the first two days of the four-day rally, yesterday's leg was 420 kilometres of touring and 206 kilometres of special stages between here and Rotorua in central North Island.

Halfway through the second leg, the two Audis were two minutes ahead of their Lancia. The New Zealand rally also counts as the sixth round in the makers' championship. Audi are ahead and Blomqvist leads the drivers' section.

Alen enjoyed an early success yesterday winning the first of the day's 10 stages. But the rest of the day belonged to the Audi team, Blomqvist won six stages and Mikkola, three.

Most of the 206 kilometre course was held on back country gravel roads. The traction and acceleration of the four-wheel drive Audi Quattros were well suited to the tight and winding roads.

A Quattro entered privately by Franz Wittman of Austria, was forced to withdraw in the final stage

STANDINGS (after second day): 1, S Blomqvist (Sw) Audi Quattro, 4hr 24min 17 sec; 2, H Mikkola (Fin) Audi Quattro, 4.24.24; 3, M Alen (Fin) Lancia, 4.26:27; 4, B Waldegard (Swe) Toyota, 4.29:45; 5, T Salonen (Fin) Nissan, 4:34:20; 6, J Kankkunen (Fin) Toyota, 4 45.17; 7, N Alloort (NZ) Ford Escort, 4.47.30; 8, R Cook (NZ) Nissan, 4:47:30; 9, M Stewart (NZ) Ford Escort, 4.56.29; 10, P Bourne (NZ) Subaru, 4:59.30.

MOTOR CYCLING

Well-timed finish by Parrish

By Michael Scott

Steve Parrish won a close fought 500cc European championship round at Donnington Park yesterday, British riders dominating this apprentice class for the world championship. Parrish took the lead on the 28th of the 35-lap race, after stalking the leaders from behind. "I knew it was a longish race, so I took my time at the beginning," the Yamaha rider, aged 31, said.

Mark Salle was second, with the Italian rider Massimo Messere, third, after both Roger Burnett and Gary Lingham had contested the lead and then dropped behind. Burnett left the track and crashed unhurt, but Lingham limped home in fifth place, after his crankshaft had broken, putting his four-cylinder Suzuki on to three cylinders.

The London rider was overtaken by the rising Finn, Ero Hyvarinen in the closing laps. This extended his lead over Lingham in the championship to four points, at 40-36. But Lingham has decided to concentrate on this championship, putting grand prix riding second, and still stands a good chance of winning the title.

The European championships are a finishing school for aspiring world champions, with the world's top riders excluded. British riders performed well in all classes, Gary Noel and Peter Hubbard filling the first two places in the 250cc event, with Manxman Graham Cannell fourth; and Alex Bedford leading the 125cc race from start to finish.

EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP: 80cc: 1, R Bay (Rupp) 38min 3.86sec; 2, S Casanova (Lusuardi) 38:5.22; 3, R Kunz (FKN) 38:15.32. 125cc: 1, A Bedford (MBA) 38:23.17; 2, H Olsson (Starol) 38:47.81; 3, M Escudier (MBA) 39:0.92. British placings: 6, R Appleyard (MBA); 7, T Smith (MBA); 8, P Mellor (MBA). 250cc: 1, G Noel (Exactweld-Yamaha) 38:13.04; 2, P Hubbard (Rotax) 38:34.76; 3, M Gablt (Yamaha) 38:39.64; 4, G Cannell (Yamaha) 39:48.34; 5, V Gabertini (Yamaha) 39:49.03. British placings: 15, G Fowler (Yamaha); 20, T Barker (Yamaha). 500cc: 1, S Parrish (Yamaha) 44:58.48; 2, M Salle (Suzuki) 45:5.83; 3, M Messere (Suzuki) 45:12.04; 4, E Hyvarinen (Suzuki) 45:30.73; 5, G Lingham (Suzuki) 45:37.82; 6, S Buckmaster (Suzuki); 7, P Iddon (Yamaha); 8, T Nation (Suzuki); 9, D Griffith (Suzuki). Side-cars: 1, S Webster and T Hewitt 39:35.44; 2, S Abbott and S Smith 39:48.82; 3, H-R Christinat and M Fahrni 40:21.80.

YACHTING

Odd Job is enjoying a new lease of life

By John Nicholls

Helped by favourable conditions, the Island Sailing Club's annual Round the Island race on Saturday was a triumph for the smaller of the 1,100 entries. The overall winner, Odd Job, owned by Peter Morton and Paul Treliving, came from the lowest rated of the offshore classes and was followed on corrected time by two more small boats. Robin Aisher's class one yacht, Yeoman XXIV, was first to finish the 60-mile circum-navigation of the Isle of Wight, but dropped well down the list of finishers on corrected time.

Odd Job, which was built in 1973 and is now decidedly long in the tooth by present racing standards, seems to be enjoying a period of rejuvenation. Not only did she win the coveted Gold Roman Bowl, but she now has a useful lead on points in the quarter ton class of the level-rating series, of which the Round the Island was the fifth race. The series, sonsored by Datavision, ends with the offshore Morgan Cup race next weekend.

In the half ton class, Balthazar (Phil Crebbin) finished second for the fourth time, which, together with a first place, makes her the most consistent boat in her division. Savage, sailed by Patrick Pym, scored her third win in a row, but her earlier results may let her down if she is not well placed in the Morgan Cup.

As the cruiser fleet dispersed, the Solent scene was taken over by 47 international Dragons in a practice race for their Edinburgh Cup series of six races, starting today.

ROUND THE ISLAND GOLD ROMAN BOWL: 1, Odd Job (P Morton, P Treliving); 2, Shaved Fish; 3, Hannah (H Sellars).
THREE-QUARTER TON: 1, Savage (P Pym); 2, Street Legal (P Worthington); 3, Bathsheba (Sir M Laing).
HALF TON: 1, Scorpio (J Money), 2, Balthazar (P Crebbin); 3, Ace (N Maris).
QUARTER TON: 1, Odd Job; 2, Hannah; 3, AC/DC (A Chubb, D Conyers).

● Gale-force winds forced more than 1,000 boats to drop out of the world's largest sailing race, the annual Tour of Zeeland. The yacht New Shape thrived in the rough conditions, however, and won the race round the Danish island in a record time of 30hr 49min 56sec.

An armada of 2,034 boats of all sizes and types set out from Elsinore on Friday. Only about 300 had reached the finish line by yesterday afternoon. At least two boats went down, with no loss of life.

Spanish Navy yacht wins inshore battle

By a Special Correspondent

A slightly increased breeze of up to 15 knots for the third inshore race of the One Ton Cup at La Trinité sur Mer, France, on Saturday gave the fleet new leaders but did little to raise the flagging morale of the British competitors.

Sirius II, a sail training yacht owned by the Spanish Navy, led for the whole of the 27-mile Olympic course. She won by a full minute from the French yacht Coyotte, another newcomer to the front of the fleet. Passion II, steered by her designer, Philippe Briande, finished in fifth place but still retains the overall lead.

The last event of the series, the long off-shore race of 255 miles, started yesterday in light airs. Yachts are expected to finish this race on Tuesday.

RESULTS: Third inshore race: 1, Sirius II (Sp), J Toubes; 2, Coyotte (Fr), B Trouble; 3, Citraline II (Fr), D Andrieu; 4, Regardless (US), W Corcoran; 5, Passion II (Fr), P Briande. British placings: 14, Jade, L Woodell; 16, Fever, D Diehl; 18, Constance of Lymington, G Martin; 21, Sidewinder, J Oswald.

POWERBOATING

The Legend out in front with third win

By Bryan Stiles

Colin Gervaise-Brazier won the London-Calais-London powerboat race yesterday to complete his third triumph of the season. In his 38foot monohull The Legend, the Guernsey man completed the gruelling course, which began and finished at Tower Bridge on the Thames, 30 minutes ahead of his nearest rival, to take the Thames Challenge Trophy.

He already had wins at Fowey, Cornwall and at Guernsey to his credit, so he leads the United Kingdom Offshore Powerboat Association championship with 20 points. His nearest rival Jim Bonner, of Shoreham, who has nine championship points, had to drop out of the race yesterday when his engines sucked in a collection of plastic bags five minutes after the start. Conditions on the Thames were good but there was a heavy swell in the English Channel.

THAMES CHALLENGE TROPHY: 1, C Gervaise-Brazier (Guernsey), The Legend, 2hr 39min 7sec; 2, T Grimshaw (Guildford), G and W Racing, 3:9:37; 3, M Standring (Ashtead), Agfa Bluebird, 3:10:44.

CLASS THREE: 1, T Grimshaw; 2, M Standring; 3, J Clarke, Clarke Group Racing.

CRUISERS: 1, C Stewart (Iver) Dauphin the Fast One 3:42:04; 2, S Kitch, Jenny B K.

ATHLETICS

KIEV: National Championships: High jump: T Bykova 6ft 8¾in (2.05m) world record.
NAIROBI: 10,000m: J Ikangaa (Tan) 28min 36.8sec.

BADMINTON

Melbourne: Silver Bowl: Final: Sze Yu (Hong Kong) bt E Hartono 15-3, 16-17, 17-12. Women: T Whittaker (NZ) bt C Backhouse (Can) 11-4, 12-10; Doubles: M Scandolera (Aus) and A Goode (Eng) bt Afumato and V Pranoto (Indonesia) 15-4, 15-6.

FOR THE RECORD

MOTOR CYCLING

DONINGTON PARK: British Sidecar championship (10 laps, 19.57 miles): 1, S Abbott and S Smith (500cc Yamaha), 13min 12.48sec (average speed 88.91 mph); 2, D Bayley and B Nixon (500cc Yamaha); 3, S Webster and A Hewitt (500cc Padgett). Fastest lap: Abott and Smith, 1min 17.09sec (91.40 mph). World Of Sport Superbike Challenge (19 laps, 35.23 miles): 1, R Haslam (Honda) 22:31.45 (93.84 mph); 2, W Gardner (Honda); 3, K Huewen (Honda). 500cc British Championship (12 laps, 23.48 miles): 1, M Grant (Suzuki) 17:31.80 (80.39 mph); 2, D Griffiths (Suzuki); 3, S Parrish (Yamaha). 250cc British championship (12 laps, 23.48 miles): 1, D McLeod (Yamaha) 17:28.85 (80.61mph); 2, I Grey (Yamaha); 3 G Fowler (Yamaha).

SPEEDWAY

MARIESTAD, Sweden: Intercontinental final: 1, United States 41 pts (S Moran 11, L King 11, B Schwartz 10, K Moran 6, J Cook 3); 2, Denmark 23 (Gundersen 9, H Nielsen 5, B Petersen 5, P Eriksen 4); 3, England 18 (S Wigg 8, P Collins 4, C Morton 4, J Lewis 1, P Collins 1); 4, Sweden, 13 (J Andersson 5, P Jonsson 5, P Brannefors 2, B Andersson 1, T Nilsson 0).

MOTOR RALLYING

Auckland: New Zealand rally: (after 14 special stages) 1, H Mikkola (Fin), Audi, 00min 00sec penalties; 2, Blomqvist (Swe), Audi, 00:03; 3, Alen (Fin), Lancia, 00:43; 4, B Waldegaard (Swe), Toyota, 2:00; 5, J Kankkunen (Fin), Toyota, 4:11.

TENNIS

Milan: Avenaire tournament: Women: H. Dahlstroem (Swe) bt P Tarabini (Arg) 6-2, 2-6, 6-4.

FOOTBALL

North American Soccer League: Tampa Bay Rowdies 1, Toronto Blizzard 0; San Diego Sockers 2, Vancouver White Caps 1.
Peking: Great Wall of China Tournament: Group A: China A 3, Peking 1, India 1, Algeria 0. Group B: Congo 2, United States 0; Yugoslavia 1, Shanghai 1. Group C: Poland 5, Tunisia 1, China B 0, Tianjin 0; Group D Canada 3, Nigeria 1, W Germany 6, Canton 1

GOLF

ALTANTA: 202, T Kite 69, 67, 66; 203, D Pooley 68, 68, 67; 205, T Valentine 70, 63, 72; 206, S Simpson 70, 73, 63; M Donald 64, 73, 69; 207, P Stewart 70, 68, 69; 208, C Thorpe 68, 74, 66; R Zokol 69, 73, 66; J Colbert 72, 69, 67; T Simpson 70, 70, 68; 209, P Oosterhuis (GB) 70, 71, 68; C Peete 66, 69, 74; 210, G Norman 72, 70, 68; 216, F Zoeller 70, 73, 73.

BAD EMS: Four-Nation Amateur Tournament: Ireland bt France 5½-3½; West Germany bt Sweden 6-3.

SHAKER HEIGHTS: Senior Tournament Players Championship: 208, A Palmer 72, 68, 67; 209, P Thomson (Aus) 68, 73, 67; 210, M Barber 72, 71, 67; 212, C Sifford 71, 72, 69; D January 71, 72, 69; W Casper 72, 72, 69; M Fetchick 70, 76, 66; J Ferree 70, 73, 69; 213, R Funseth 68, 75, 70; 214, H Johnson 75, 69, 70; D Sikes 72, 69, 73; 215, G Lanning 70, 75, 70; R Stone 72, 72, 71; 220, A Balding (Can) 77, 72, 71; R Devicenzo (Arg) 73, 75, 72; 223, K Nagle (Aus) 77, 77, 70, 73.

DANVERS: Women's tournament: 209, L Rinker 65, 68, 76. 213, B Pearson 74, 73, 66. 214, M Figueras-Dotti (Sp) 72, 71, 71. 215, K Young 72, 69, 74. 216, A Okamoto (Jap) 74, 73, 69; P Bradley 72, 73, 71. 217, K Whitworth 72, 71, 74; J Bertsch 68, 73, 76; P Rizzo 72, 75, 70; J Blalock 73, 73, 71; P Nilsson (Swe) 72, 72, 73; J A Washam 70, 73, 74.

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE (Friday): Detroit Tigers 7, Milwaukee Brewers 3; Boston Red Sox 8, Toronto Blue Jays 1. Baltimore Orioles 5, New York Yankees 4; Chicago White Sox 8, Minnesota Twins 6; Texas Rangers 4, Oakland Athletics 0; California Angels 8, Kansas City Royals 1, Cleveland Indians 13, Seattle Mariners 2. (Saturday): New York Yankees 5, Baltimore Orioles 4 (11 innings); Detroit Tigers 5 Milwaukee Brewers 1, Toronto Blue Jays 9, Boston Red Sox 3; Oakland A's 5, Texas Ranggers 1; Minnesota Twins 4, Chicago White Sox 3; Kansas City Royals 6, California Angels 5; Cleveland Indians 11 Seattle Mariners 4.
NATIONAL LEAGUE (Friday). Montreal Expos 2 New York Mets 1, Chicago Cubs 9, St Louis Cardinals 3; Los Angeles Dodgers 10, Atlanta Braves 4, Cincinnati Reds 8, San Diego Padres 7, Houston Astros 10, San Francisco Giants 3; Pittsburgh Pirates 10 Philadelphia Phillies 3; Pittsburgh Pirates 7 Philadelphia Phillies 6 (13). (Saturday): New York Mets 2, Montreal Expos 0; Chicago Cubs 12, St Louis Cardinals 11 (11 innings); Los Angeles Dodgers 10, Atlanta Braves 2; San Diego Padres 5, Cincinnati reds 2; Philadelphia Phillies 7, Pittsburgh Pirates 5; San Francisco Giants 7, Houston Astros 5.

ROWING

READING: Eights: Elite: 1, Yale University; 2, Trinity College, Dublin; 3, St Joseph's Sch. (US). 1l, 2min 26sec. Senior A: 1, Princeton University; 2, Temple University; 3, Brown University, 1½l, 2min 25sec. Senior B: Kent Sch. (US) bt Upper Canada Coll, ¾l, 2min 27sec. Senior C: Princeton University; 2, King James's Coll; 3, Shiplake Coll, 1l, 2min 32sec. Coxed fours: Senior A: 1, Marlow; 2, Barclays Bank; 3, Reading, 2½l, 2min 47sec. Senior B: Queen's University, Belfast bt Marlow, 2l, 2min 52sec. Senior C: 1, Eton Excelsior; 2, Marlow; 3, Bryanston Sch, 3ft. Novice: Magdalen College Sch. bt St John's College, Oxford, ½l, 3min 6sec. Women's Novice: 1 Oxford Polytechnic; 2, Reading University; 3, Jesus College, Oxford; ½l, 3min 38sec. Coxless fours: Senior A: Dartmouth College (US) bt Marlow, 1½l, 2min 44 sec. Coxed pairs: Senior B, Yale University (US) bt Temple University (US), 4l. Sculls: Senior C: 1, M Kay (Marlow); 2, I Nevile (Staines); 3, M Everington (Walton), ¾l, 3min 19sec. Novice, G Foster (Reading Blue Coat Sch.); 2, D Cree (St Edward's Sch.); 3, M A Frost (The Oratory Sch.), 5l 3min 17sec. Schoolboy: R C Wilson (Maidenhead) bt I Rowbotham (St Edward's Sch.), 4l, 3min 29sec.

RACING: HERN ALREADY RATES ASCOT WINNER AS GENUINE CONTENDER FOR NEXT YEAR'S OAKS

At Talaq heads successful English invasion of Longchamp

From Desmond Stoneham, French Racing Correspondent, Paris

English horses met with considerable success at Longchamp yesterday when the Grand Prix de Paris, the main event, went to At Talaq in the hands of Tony Murray. The English pair defeated the unlucky Woolskin by a short neck with the Ian-Balding trained, Spicy Story a short head away, third. Media Luna, the English filly, finished sixth after being supported from 23-1 to 9-1.

Later in the afternoon, Steve Cauthen rode the heavily backed Never So Bold to victory in the Prix de la Porte Maillot, and Adonijah was by no means disgraced when third to Crystal Glitters and Mille Balles in the Prix d'Ispahan.

The English fillies Clare Bridge and Glowing with Pride finished second and third to the favourite, Reine Mathilde, in the Prix de Malleret.

Murray had not won in France since leaving the country in 1968, and he could not have ridden with greater perfection. At Talaq following his pacemaker, As Sakab, until a furlong and a half half out and then Murray rode his colt out

Woolskin had absolutely nowhere to go and it was only at the furlong marker that Gerard Dubroeucq found a gap on the outside between Lashkari and Mont Basile. Woolskin finished very fast and would have undoubtedly been the winner if the winning post had come a little later.

Crystal Glitters won the group one Prix d'Ispahan for the second consecutive year when he defeated his stable mate, Mille Balles, with the English-trained favourite, Adonijah, two and a half lengths away, third. For André Fabre it was his fourteenth group race victory of the season, and Crystal Glitters will probably now be trained for the Budweiser Million at Chicago on August 26.

Piggott rides Darshaan in gallop

Lester Piggott works the Aga Khan's Darshaan at Chantilly this morning and Alain de Royer-Dupré will decide on the colt's future after the gallop (Desmond Stoneham writes). But the French trainer gave a warning to those intending to back Darshaan for the Joe McGrath Irish Sweeps Derby at the Curragh on Saturday. He said at Longchamp yesterday: "Darshaan may wait for the Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud or the King George or alternatively have a rest until a preparatory race for the Arc de Triomphe."

Darshaan is unbeaten in three races this season and defeated Sadler's Wells, the Irish 2,000 Guineas winner, in the Prix du Jockey Club (French Derby) three weeks ago. A certain runner for the Irish Derby is Dahar, who ran disappointingly in the Jockey Club but was running a temperature.

Silver Dollar bright hope for the Queen

By Michael Seely

Dick Hern showed us an exciting prospect fot the 1984 Oaks when Willie Carson produced Silver Dollar with a devastating burst of finishing speed to catch Graecia Magna close home in the Halifax Maiden Fillies Stakes at Ascot on Saturday. The Queen's two year old was immediately installed favourite at 20-1 for next year's classic by Ladbrokes.

"Very exciting, and without a shadow of a doubt Silver Dollar is an Oaks prospect for next year". Hern said. "She is by Shirley Heights out of Circlet, who also ran over a mile and a half, so she looks sure to stay."

June of the previous year is early enough to be talking about the following season's Oaks, it is true. But when a filly bred on these lines shows such a marked ability to quicken in a six-furlong race, it is a sure sign of enormous potential. There can be no doubt that if Silver Dollar continues to thrive, she is sure to have a good chance of following in the hoofprints of Dunfermline, who carried the royal colours to victory at Epsom in 1977.

Hern's horses are in fine form at present and like his jockey, Carson, the champion trainer won the Royal Ascot honours for the second successive year. The stable runners this week include Straight Man, the winner of Chester's Grosvenor Stakes, who goes for the Bibury Cup at Salisbury on Wednesday.

Bedtime runs at Kempton the same evening, prior to attempting to repeat his 1983 victory in York's Magnet Cup. Petoski, the Niniski colt, who was withdrawn from the Chesham Stakes at Ascot because of the firm ground, will make his debut in the Champagne Stakes at Salisbury on Thursday.

Head For Heights will not after all be sent to The Curragh to take on El Gran Señor and Secreto in next Saturday's Irish Sweeps Derby. Instead, Shaikh Mohammed's King Edward VII Stakes winner will attempt to give West Ilsley its fifth victory in the past eleven years in the Princess of Wales's Stakes at Newmarket's July meeting.

Kaytu is to take in Goodwood's Gordon Stakes and the Great Voltigeur Stakes at York en route to trying to credit Hern with his seventh St Leger triumph. "Kaytu is very stiff and sore after being buffeted about in the Derby", he said yesterday, "But he seems all right now."

Guy Harwood was delighted with Graecia Magna, who stamped herself as a certain future winner when giving Silver Dollar such a hard fight for her money. "These are two good fillies", the Pulborough trainer said. At the start of the afternoon, Harwood had been equally pleased with Phardante, whom Greville Starkey had persuaded to pass Sulaafah inside the last furlong of the Erroll Stakes. This win gave Harwood his second and Starkey his third success during the five days' racing.

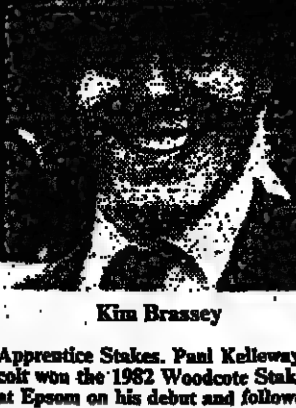
"Most of my two year olds seem to be all right", the trainer continued, "But we're certainly not out of the wood with the older horses. I've no plans at all yet for Alphabatim, Lear Fan and Rousillon. They're not even in strong work." Last season Harwood's patience in a similar situation resulted in a spate of 50 winners in the closing stages of the campaign.

Vincent O'Brien received a boost for his hopes with El Gran Señor when The Miller gave Lester Piggott and Ballydoyle their fourth victory in the Churchill Stakes. "Lester said that it would have taken a good horse to have beaten The Miller today", Tommy Stack, Ballydoyle's representative, said after Magic Mirror's half brother had beaten Cherry Hill by an easy four lengths. The decision to renew Epsom rivalry with Secreto at The Curragh is one to be applauded and also signifies O'Brien's faith and pride in his Northern Dancer colt.

The two handicaps, the High Yield Stakes and the Steel Plate and Sections Victory Cup Handicap resulted in a resounding triumph for the apprentice rider, Simon Whitworth. The 22-year-old son of a Rochdale solicitor lost his right to claim the 7lb allowance when winning the stayers race on the Northumberland Plate-bound Fortune's Quest.

Brassey set for Brighton double

By Mandarin



Kim Brassey

Kim Brassey, the Lambourn trainer, who ushered in June with a double, has an outstanding chance of repeating the feat at Brighton tomorrow with *Caballo* in the Brighton Mile Challenge Trophy and *Amigo Loco* (nap) in the Sheepcote Handicap.

Caballo was not suited by the soft ground he encountered on his latest outing at Sandown Park four weeks ago and in the circumstances did well to dead heat for third place behind the mud-loving Gouverno. In his previous race at Lingfield Park, the five-year-old showed his appreciation for a faster surface when beating My Tony in a good handicap over 10 furlongs.

Last year, Caballo's two wins were gained over today's course and distance, both of them on fast ground. His proven ability to act on this tricky course should stand him in good stead and the opposition all have question marks against them.

Tetron Bay has failed to recapture last season's sparkling form in his three runs this season and, as he has not run for seven weeks, is likely to need the outing. The three-year-old trio of El Capistrano, Kayus and Caliph have done nothing to suggest they are capable of beating Caballo on these terms, so the biggest danger to my selection may be On Edge, who ran fast for a long way in last week's Royal Hunt Cup and has also won over course and distance.

Amigo Loco ran his best race to date at Bath nine days ago when chasing home Manchesterskytrain in a competitive all-aged handicap. He had several useful senior sprinters behind him including Sharpish and Young Inca, who between them won nine races last season. This afternoon, Amigo Loco takes on some moderate respresentatives of his own age group and a reproduction of his Bath run should be more than good enough.

Stay Sharp will never get a better chance to regain the winning thread than in the opening Levy Board Apprentice Stakes. Paul Kelleway's colt won the 1982 Woodcote Stakes at Epsom on his debut and followed with an equally promising third to Horage and Kafu in the Coventry Stakes at Royal Ascot. The four-year-old has failed to live up to that promise since, but should still hold too many guns for Chads Gamble and Giada.

Another four-year-old without a win since his juvenile days is *Sidab*, who has bright prospects in the See It Live in Yorkshire Handicap at Pontefract. Willie Musson's colt showed good speed under a big weight in a seven-furlong race at Yarmouth 12 days ago and will appreciate this shorter trip.

Lester Piggott can put his Royal Ascot disappointments behind him and improve his chances of landing the jockeys' title by riding a treble and Wolverhampton's belated first meeting of the season on *Call Of The Wind* (7.10), *Saint Crespin Bay* (8.5) and *One Way Street* (8.35).

Best of the three may be the beautifully-bred One Way Street who made an impressive winning reappearance at York nine days ago. By Habitat out of the Busted mare, Guillotina, One Way Street has immense scope and should take the Pattingham Fillies' Stakes on the way to better things.

Blinkered first time

WOLVERHAMPTON: 6.45 Milva. 7.35 Lonach Cottage. 9.05 Fei Loong.

PONTEFRACT: 2.45 Manhattan Boy. 3.15 Jobert, Why Work, Witherholme.

BRIGHTON: 2.30 Topical Red. 3.30 Carolyn Christensen, Tantivy Rose. 4.0 Just Irene.

TENNIS

Miss Navratilova is in capital form

When Martina Navratilova won the women's tournament, sponsored by Carlsberg, at Eastbourne on Saturday, her prize of $27,000 took her earnings for the first half of 1984 to $1.5m. This sum included a payment of $1m awarded by the International Tennis Federation when she completed the grand slam of the four senior women's singled titles after winning the French Open in Paris earlier this month.

The highest paid women athlete of all time, Miss Navratilova, has now grossed over $8m in prize money and bonuses alone. She could pick up a further sum of $200,000 in the singles and doubles events at Wimbledon. Her match record in 1984 is 35 wins and one defeat and she has now won her last 31 matches in a row.

Miss Navratilova's absolute mastery on her service games left her opponent Kathy Jordan, with an impossible struggle in the final at Eastbourne. She faltered slightly when the wind suddenly intensified at the end of the first set, but after going 15-40 down in the tenth game she quickly made amends to win the set without further loss.

In the second set she broke her opponent's service in the first, third and fifth games, conceding only one point in the two intervening games. This was the world champion at her most devastating.

Miss Navratilova goes into Wimbledon full of confidence. Miss Jordan whom she beat so easily, had accounted for the Wimbledon No 2 seed, Chris Lloyd, even more comfortably in the semi-final round the previous day. Miss Navratilova's odds of 4 to 1 on do not look out of place.

FINALS: Singles: M Navratilova (US) bt K Jordan (US) 6-4, 6-1. Doubles: Navratilova and P Shriver (US) bt J Durie (GB) and A Kiyomura (US) 6-4, 6-2.

Kriek masters Teacher

By Peter Marson

Johan Kriek retained his title in the West of England championhips, sponsored by Ford, at Redland Green on Saturday. He pocketed £12,162 for beating the second seed, Brian Teacher, 6-7, 7-6, 6-4, in a splendidly fought match.

The explosive Kriek was misfiring early on. He dropped a set for the first time when Teacher's persistence and perserverence earned him an early lead.

Kriek's passage in the second set was another epic to match the extremes in climate here. Kriek had complained to the umpire, George Grime, that "Someone is smoking the largest cigar and it is hurtful to my lings," but presumably this had been extinguished by the time he was discharging the advantage of breaks gained in the fourth and sixth games and a lead of 5-2. He eventually recovered to take the tie-break, 7-2.

The South African-born American citizen has a menagerie – two or three dogs, a parrot, Monty the python and "some kind of lizzard" – and a passion for Porsches to support. Perhaps that gave him the exta punch he had been missing and he powered through to win the deciding set, 6-4.

FINALS: Singles: J Kriek (US) bt B Teacher (US) 6-7, 7-6, 6-4.
Doubles: L Stefanki and R Van't Hof (US) bt J Alexander and J Fitzgerald (Aus) 6-4, 5-7, 9-7.

Hands that work wonders at Wimbledon



Borg created problems for himself.

Where aching bodies and egos are massaged by experts

Nobody is on more intimate terms with the heroes and heroines of Wimbledon than the 12 physiotherapists who attend aching heaps of muscles stretched out on nine couches in five scattered treatment rooms. The man in charge is John Matthews, sometimes known as "Fingers". He has worked at Wimbledon since 1972 and is seldom tempted to switch roles by asking a patient how to keep fit. Jean Borotra, though, was a special case.

Borotra, Wimbledon singles champion in 1924 and 1926, competed there until the veterans' doubles of 1977. By that time he was 78-years-old. "He would come in", Matthews says, "and insist on being massaged with powder (Jimmy Connors, too, likes powder rather than oil). Borotra would lie back, with an Optrex bath on each eye. One day I asked him how he kept in such good health. 'My boy', he said, 'Every day I have a little French wine, a little good music, and a little female company'".

That sounds fun, but for a certified physiotherapist it is simply not enough. Nor is it enough to suggest tht they are hot stuff on massage and electrical treatment. In hospitals they assault the chest to empty the lungs of anaesthetic gas, or patiently urge the disabled through remedial exercises. In the less familiar field of sports medicine they need a variety of skills in precisely diagnosing damage and effectively treating it. Gathered around them are boxes with knobs and dials, monitoring the curative currents of electrotherapy.

Own practice

Bjorn Borg knows about all that. When he first won Wimbledon, in 1976, Borg attracted attention during changeovers by giving his stomach a cooling spray from what looked like a can of aerosol. "He was brought into the treatment room on the Friday", Matthews says, "and his abdominal muscles were in spasm. He looked as if he was out of the tournament. But he has some gentle treatment, went off and had pain-killing injections, and managed to get two or three days' rest. It did improve – and he won the tournament. Maybe he should have had a week off. He created problems for himself later on. But the prize was worth it".

Matthews as a practice at Guildford, where he was born. "I come in at 8.30, deal with the mail and one or two patients, and then go to Wimbledon". Clive Gillatt ("he's also a chiropodist, so he can deal with foot problems") has worked at Wimbledon even longer. Other long-familiar figures are Angela Willer and Janet Faraday. Aptly, the latter is a descendant of Michael, whose experiments were the basis of today's electricity system.

Wimbledon's digital dozen include two physios from the Association of Tennis Professionals and two from the Women's Tennis Association. They tour with the players for much of the year and therefore know them well, as people and patients. The best known is the genially avuncular Bill Norris, whose resemblance to John Denver is so striking that the singer himself looks like an impostor. Two younger physios about to labour through their second Wimbldon are Donna Paliniat, of San Diego, and Todd Snyder, of Pennsylvania.

Last year's Wimbledon was quite a shock for Miss Palinlat. "I have never worked so hard so constantly. I would want to go out and watch a match, but there would be a line of players waiting to come in. I saw only 20 minutes of tennis. You don't get a high bounce, so players have to bend and stretch. They get soreness in the high hamstring, the lower back. But in general it is less damaging to fall on grass than on other courts.

Snyder, too, praises the working conditions. "We are pretty swamped in there but the staff are very good and the equipment is the most modern in the state of the art".

Let the boss, Mathews, however, have the last words on all, that: "Injuries in tennis tend to be stress injuries rather than those experienced in contact sports, where you get banging all the time. In general, we have to treat the shoulders (often inflammatory conditions of the tendons and ligaments), back strains, and ligamentous strains around the knees and ankles. Grass is a problem, especially if it is wet, because the players are going down lower, faster – and sliding. And in the evenings you can get dew on the court at Wimbledon. On any other surface it wouldn't matter, but grass can get very slippery."

Often the physios have to ease minds as well as muscles. Miss Palinlat suspects that at Wimbledon some players pop in to see her for personal reassurance. Wimbledon is so busy, so frantic ("You can get lost in the shuffle pretty easily") that the treatment rooms are oases of calm. Mathews, though, points out that Wimbledon is "a madhouse" in which physios can give players less psychological help than is the case, for example, in the greater privacy of a Davis Cup dressing room.

"But a few years ago", Matthews recalls, "Peter McNamara arrived on the Monday morning, having turned an ankle at Bristol. He was ready to quit the whole thing and wanted a certificate. We agreed that he might as well pack in the singles but could have a chance in the doubles because there is not so much running about.

"We worked on him, taped him up (you can do that with ankles), and he got better and better – and won the tournament with Paul McNamee. Graciously, the first thing he did when he came off court was to come and see us. You could say that was one of the successes for treatment plus encouragement and gentle persuasion, to the effect that he would probably get by".

The world's finest tennis players – most of them, anyway – are hoping they can "get by" in the next two weeks. And when the physical cost of a fleeting glory is more than they can pay without help, they know where to find the help: from John Matthews and company in the servicing and repairs department.

Rex Bellamy
Tennis Correspondent

Leaders on the Flat

TRAINERS

	1st	2nd	3rd	Days since win	Level stakes
H Cecil	34	27	13	4	–6.20
M Stoute	31	22	18	7	–37.84
W O'Gorman	26	17	12	3	–0.93
G Harwood	25	15	28	0	–50.69
R Hollinshead	25	13	23	4	–37.75
J Dunlop	22	21	15	1	–52.77
J Berry	21	26	20	5	–83.25
P Cole	20	16	10	9	+49.45
P Haslam	18	5	4	3	+58.51
H T-Jones	17	19	10	4	+47.19
P Walwyn	16	14	20	6	–35.15

JOCKEYS

	1st	2nd	3rd	Losing sequence	Level stakes
T Ives	44	39	27	11	–54.82
L Piggott	44	40	34	1	–36.25
S Cauthen	43	35	43	9	–54.48
W Carson	41	49	44	0	–97.17
Pat Eddery	38	28	25	0	–6.35
W Swinburn	36	24	17	0	–22.68
G Duffield	30	38	20	5	–89.55
B Rouse	29	17	31	11	–71.13
P Robinson	28	25	21	3	–20.15
J Reid	24	23	19	6	–62.98
K Darley	23	15	25	6	–6.63
J Lowe	22	21	19	2	–41.34
T Quinn	22	11	10	15	+88.49

Course specialists

BRIGHTON

TRAINERS: P Cole 34 winners from 166 runners, 20.5%; P Kelleway 8 from 45, 17.8%; J Winter 12 from 78 15.4%.
JOCKEYS: B Raymond 17 winners from 67 mounts, 21.4%; J Mercer 19 from 119, 16.0%; P Cook 21 from 132, 15.9%.

PONTEFRACT

TRAINERS: M H Easterby 17 winners from 116 runners, 14.7%; S Norton 10 from 86, 11.7%; R Hollinshead 10 from 168 6.0%.
JOCKEYS: G Duffield 19 winners from 150 mounts, 12.7%; M Birch 24 from 195, 12.3%; J Lowe 20 from 179, 11.2%

WOLVERHAMPTON

TRAINERS: H Cecil 16 winners from 37 runners, 43.2%; N Vigors 9 from 42, 21.4%; D Haydn Jones 10 from 74, 13.5%.
JOCKEYS: J Reid 22 winners from 137 mounts 16.1%; P Robinson 12 from 127, 9.4%.





Bruce Raymond: leading jockey at Brighton

BRIGHTON

GOING: Firm.

Draw: 5, 6f low numbers best

1.30 LEVY BOARD APPRENTICE STAKES (£847: 1m) (7 runners)

No	Form	Horse, owner, trainer, age-weight	Jockey	Draw
3	00-0040	STAY SHARP (R Whalley) P Kelleway 4-9-3	S McCrystal	3
5	0000/00	BUSHY BAY (B) (Mrs M Benn) M Chapman 10-8-10	W Osborne	5
6	0-00044	CHADS GAMBLE (B) (J Bethell) J Bethell 6-8-10	N Adams	2
8	00-3000	CHEUNG SING (Mrs B Mitchell) Pat Mitchell 5-8-3	Alison Froggatt	7
12	00-0000	SASHAMEL (B) (Mrs D Payne) R Hodges 5-8-3	C Rutter	4
13	00-0000	THE WARRIOR (G Moore) A Ingham 4-8-3	A Whiteside 5	6
14	02-0	GIADA (Mrs D Zurcher) L Cumani 4-8-0	J Sisko	1

1983: Caballo 4-8-0 S Osborne (13-2) K Brassey 16 ran.

8-11 Giada, 7-4 Stay Sharp, 16 Cheung Sing, Chads Gamble, 20 Sashamel, 25 The Warrior, 33 Bushy Bay.

FORM: STAY SHARP (8-8) 9th beaten over 12l to Widd (7-9) 10 ran. Kempton 1m 3f h'cap good June 2. CHEUNG SING (7-7) 10th beaten 7l to Seven Clubs (8-3) 17 ran. Sandown 5f app'ce h'cap soft May 29. CHAD'S GAMBLE (8-4) 4th beaten 1½l to Smart Mast (8-3) 9 ran. Beverley 7f h'cap firm June 20. THE WARRIOR (9-2) not in first 9 to Music City (8-9) 14 ran. Lingfield 1m 2f h'cap good to firm June 12. GIANDA (9-6) 6th beaten 12½l to Fenchurch Colony (8-5) 12 ran. Beverley 1m mdn stks good June 5.
Selection: GIADA.

Brighton selections

By Mandarin

1.30 Stay Sharp. 2.0 Rigilla. 2.30 Fast Service. 3.0 Caballo. 3.30 Tricenco. 4.0 AMIGO LOCO (nap) 4.30 Green Rock.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

1.30 Giada. 2.0 Corrals Lady. 2.30 Mister Prelude. 3.0 El Capistrano. 3.30 Carolyn Christensen. 4.0 Starry View.

Michael Seely's Selection: 3.0 On Edge.

2.0 BEVENDEAN MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (2-y-o: £822: 6f) (12)

No	Form	Horse, owner, trainer, weight	Jockey	Draw
1	0	B M WONDER (B) (L Ward) D Sasse 8-11	D McKay	5
4	2	CORRALS LADY (Tjonger Bloodstock) J Winter 8-11	B Taylor	3
7	00	DANCE BY NIGHT (A Perry) G Lewis 8-11	P Waldron	12
9	4	EMBROIDERESS (Mrs W McAlpine) D Morley 8-11	S Cauthen	10
10	34	GODSEND (Mrs R Lamb) C Benstead 8-11	B Rouse	2
11		GREEN ROOM GAMBOLS (B Smeed) R Smyth 8-11	S Whitworth 5	6
13	400	HIGH BIDDER (Mrs L Davies) R Hannon 8-11	B Raymond	4
14		JETLINE (G Carling) [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
19	04	MY MYRA (C Gaven[illegible]) [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
20	0	PATO (Lord Matthe[illegible]) [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
21	4	RIGILLA (C Karpida[illegible]) [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
23	00	XLENDI (D Garfield) [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

1983: Seattle Rose [illegible]

2 Corrals Lady, 5-2 Rigilla, 5 Go[illegible] ... 16 others.

FORM: RIGILLA (8-11) 4th beaten 7[illegible] ... Selection: RIGILLA.

2.30 PEACEHAVEN HANDICAP (£2,393: 1m 2f) (16)

No	Form	Horse
2	00-0444	BALINESE (C) [illegible]
10	04-0014	PROFIT WARRANT [illegible]
11	140003	MISTER PRELUDE [illegible]
13	/0-0100	BLONDELLO (C) [illegible]
15	00-0002	TROPICAL RED [illegible]
16	3-42430	KAUKAS (C,D) [illegible]
18	010000	MONCLARE TROPHY [illegible]
19	0-03000	HARBOUR BRIDGE [illegible]
20	4310-00	MINUS MAN (C,D) [illegible]
21	00-2402	FAST SERVICE [illegible]
22	4-00000	MASTER CARVER [illegible]

3.0 BRIGHTON MILE CHALLENGE TROPHY HANDICAP (£4,510: 1m) (8)

No	Form	Horse, owner, trainer, age-weight	Jockey	Draw
1	001-300	TETRON BAY (D) (R Shannon) R Hannon 4-9-11	S Cauthen	7
2	3-00213	CABALLO (C,D) (Tweddle French Group) K Brassey 5-8-11	P Cook	5
3	0001-00	ON EDGE (C,D) (N Stephens) J Spearing 8-8-10	W R Swinburn	6
4	1130-00	EL CAPISTRANO (G Maynard) G Pritchard-Gordon 3-8-6	B Taylor	2
8	110-020	KAYUS (K Al-Said) G Hunter 3-8-2	M Hills	4
10	010024	CALIPH (BF) (V Advani) R Simpson 3-7-7	S Whitworth 5	1
11	1020-00	MOUSLAT (F Salman) P Cole 4-7-7	R Fox	3

Saturday's results

Ascot

2.0 1, Phardante (6-1); 2, Sulaafah (5-4 fav); 3, Artist Rifle (14-1). 7 ran.
2.30 1, Fortune's Guest (7-2); 2, Rushmoor (12-1); 3, Morgan's Choice (11-4 fav). 7 ran.
3.0 1, Hilton Brown (16-1); 2, Padre Pio (11-4 fav); 3, Fortysecond Street (14-1); 4, Yallah (10-1). 16 ran.
4.10 1, Verchinina (12-1); 2, Manahycor (7-1); 3, Alghuzaylah (9-1). Seattle Rose (11-4 fav). 9 ran. NR: Elzazzi.
4.40 1, Silver Dollar (3-1); 2, Graecia Magna (13-8 fav); 3, Hilly (20-1). 11 ran.

Redcar

1.45 1, Rievaulx Raver (6-1); 2, Dancing Valerina (10-1); 3, Tarleton (16-1). Samander (4-1 fav). 16 ran.
2.15 1, Dan Thatch (evens fav); 2, Ivorfski (12-1); 3, Chocolate Soldier (20-1). 22 ran. NR: Bogazkoy, St Helens Boy.
2.45 1, Karen's Star (8-1); 2, All is Forgiven (4-1); 3, Lucky Dutch (3-1 fav). 11 ran.
3.15 1, State Budget 85-40 fav); 2, Hall's Prince (6-1); 3, Lady Liza (9-1). 10 ran.
3.45 1, Aspro Astro (3-1); 2, River Linnet (12-1); 3, Arguing (7-2); Megiddo (13-8 fav. 5 ran.
4.15 1, Geovale (7-4 fav); 2, Al Mundhir (7-2); 3, Argos (11-2). 15 ran.
4.45 1, Esilam (8-1); 2, Keep Still (3-4 fav); 3, Lemon Grove (10-1). 11 ran.

Ayr

1.30 1, Greemont (5-5 fav); 2, Smiler (4-1); 3, Qualitair Flyer (14-1). 7 ran.
2.0 1, Humberside Lady (9-1); 2, Caro's Gift (11-4 fav); 3, Lady Saville (12-1). 9 ran.
2.30 1, Singing High (8-4 fav); 2, Holmbury (6-1); 3, Florida Son (7-1). 10 ran.
3.0 1, Amber Heights (9-1); 2, Bossanova Boy (3-1); 3, Tockala (9-4 fav). 5 ran.
3.30 1, Jolly Business (evens fav); 2, AlSylah (13-8); 3, Music Nymph (11-1). 4 ran.
4.0 1, Sharp and Ready (3-1 fav); 2, Innocent Maid (8-1); 3, Last Card (4-1). 10 ran. NR: Whistling Stellar.

Warwick

6.45 1, Filarie (10-1); 2, Scoutsmistake (2-1 fav); 3, Galetzky (14-1). 10 ran. NR: Video Man.
7.10 1, Octolas (3-1 fav) 2, Sanann (4-1); 3, Navana (10-1. 13 ran.
7.35 1, Marie Cath (8-1); 2, Hannah Moore (7-1); 3, Silent Sun (4-9 fav). 6 ran. NR: Helpless Haze.
8.05 1, Holloway Wonder (4-1); 2, King Of Speed (15-2); 3, Royal Duty (8-1). 20 ran. Oryx Minor (9-4 fav).
8.35 1, Nazeeh (16-1); 2, The Rotter (10-1); 3, Kittaley (13-2); 4, Quality Chorister (12-1). 18 ran. Canadian Crown (9-4 fav).
9.05 1, Météo (9-2); 2, What A Record (8-1); 3, Dream Merchant (11-4 fav). 14 ran.

Longchamp yesterday

Going: Firm.

(1m 7f) 1, AT TALAQ (A Murray); 2, Woolskin (G Dubroeucq); 3, Spicy Story (S Cauthen). ALSO RAN: Agent Double (4th), Mont Basile (5th), Media Luna (6th), Lashkari (7th), Allston (8th), As Sakab (9th), Complice (10th), Cotton Wood Canyon. 11 ran. Sh, nk, sh, hd, sh, hd, ½l, 1½l, ¾l, ¾l, ½l, hd. H Thomson Jones. Pari-Mutuel: WIN: 5.20 (coupled with As Sakab). PLACES: 2.60, 2.20, 5.40. DF: 16.40. 3m 14sec.

(1m 1½f) 1, CRYSTAL GLITTERS (A Gibert); 2, Mille Balles (G Dubroeucq); 3, Adonijah (L Piggott). ALSO RAN: Maluscola (4th), Mourjane (5th), Pluralisme (6th), Mourtazam (7th), Alluvia. 8 ran. Nk, 2l, ½l, 1l, sh, hd, 10l, 5l, 4l. A Fabre. Pari-Mutuel: WIN: 2.60 (coupled with Mille Balles, Mourjane and Mourtazam). PLACES: 1.90, 3.00, 1.20. DF: 45.10. 1m 50.6sec.

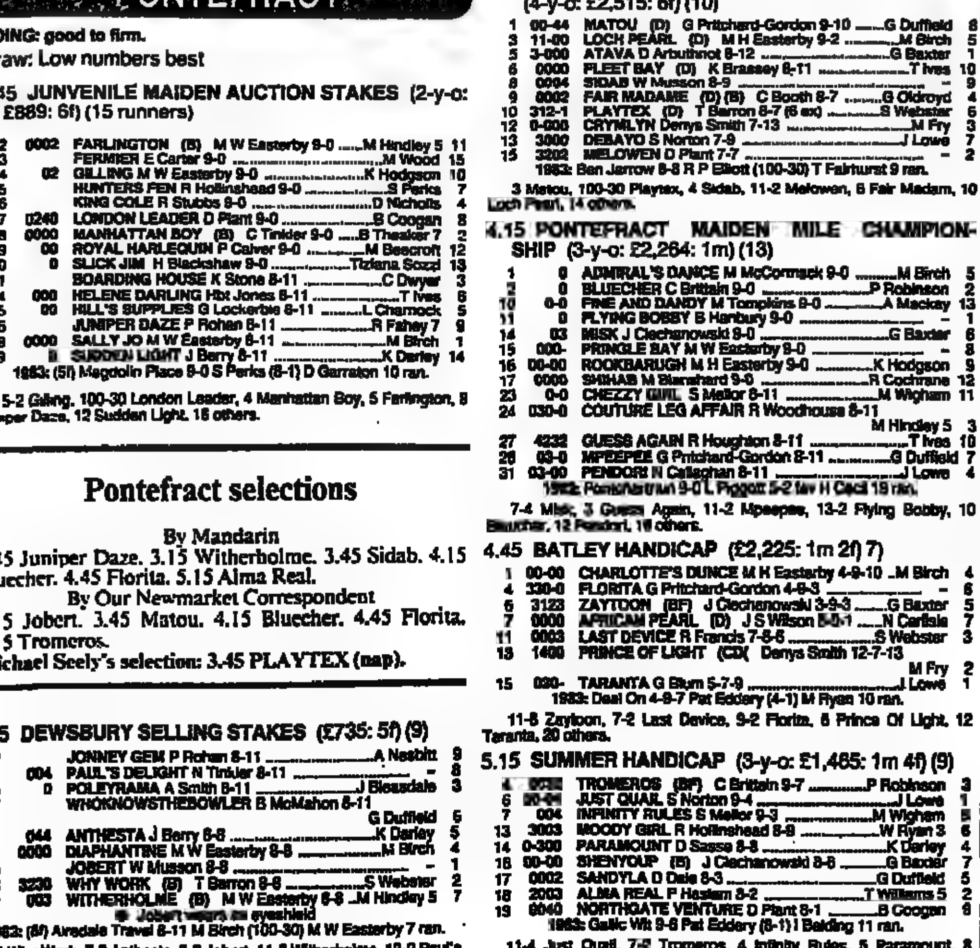
(7f) 1, NEVER SO BOLD (S Cauthen); 2, Diamada (A Gibert); 3, Centennial (W Swinburn). ALSO RAN: Premier Mister (4th), Redmead (5th), Reine Caroline (6th), Parioli (7th), Nikos (8th), Marcheuse (9th), Sara Lee (10th), African Joy. 11 ran. ½l, nose, hd, ¾l, ¾l, nose, nose, ¾l, 1l. R Armstrong. Pari-Mutuel: WIN: 3.40. PLACES: 1.60, 3.10, 4.50 DF: 20.60. 1m 20.25sec.

PONTEFRACT

GOING: good to firm.

Draw: Low numbers best

2.45 JUNVENILE MAIDEN AUCTION STAKES (2-y-o: £889: 5f) (15 runners)



No	Form	Horse, trainer, weight	Jockey	Draw
6		KING COLE R Stubbs 9-0	D Nicholls	4
7	0240	LONDON LEADER D Plant 9-0	S Coogan	8
8	0000	MANHATTAN BOY (B) C Tinkler 9-0	B Theaker 7	2
9	00	ROYAL HARLEQUIN P Calver 9-0	M Beecroft	12
10	0	SLICK JIM H Blackshaw 9-0	Tiziana Sozzi	13
11		BOARDING HOUSE K Stone 8-11	C Dwyer	3
14	000	HELENE DARLING Hbt Jones 8-11	T Ives	6
15	00	HILL'S SUPPLIES G Lockerbie 8-11	L Charnock	5
16		JUNIPER DAZE P Rohan 8-11	R Fahey 7	9
18	0000	SALLY JO M W Easterby 8-11	M Birch	1
19		SUDDEN LIGHT J Berry 8-11	K Darley	14

1983: (5f) Megdolin Place 9-0 S Perks (8-1) D Garraton 10 ran.

5-2 Gillng. 100-30 London Leader, 4 Manhattan Boy, 5 Farlington, 8 Juniper Daze, 12 Sudden Light. 15 others.

Pontefract selections

By Mandarin

2.45 Juniper Daze. 3.15 Witherholme. 3.45 Sidab. 4.15 Bluecher. 4.45 Florita. 5.15 Alma Real.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

3.15 Jobert. 3.45 Matou. 4.15 Bluecher. 4.45 Florita. 5.15 Tromeros.

Michael Seely's selection: 3.45 PLAYTEX (nap).

3.15 DEWSBURY SELLING STAKES (£735: 5f) (9)

No	Form	Horse, trainer, weight	Jockey	Draw
2		JONNEY GEM P Rohan 8-11	A Nesbitt	9
4	004	PAUL'S DELIGHT N Tinkler 8-11	–	8
5	0	POLEYRAMA A Smith 8-11	J Bleasdale	3
7		WHOKNOWSTHEBOWLER B McMahon 8-11	[illegible]	[illegible]

3.45 'SEE IT LIVE' IN YORKSHIRE HANDICAP (4-y-o: £2,515: 6f) (10)

4.15 PONTEFRACT MAIDEN MILE CHAMPIONSHIP (3-y-o: £2,264: 1m) (13)



No	Form	Horse, trainer, weight	Jockey	Draw
1	0	ADMIRAL'S DANCE M McCormack 9-0	M Birch	5
2	0	BLUECHER C Brittain 9-0	P Robinson	2
10	0-0	FINE AND DANDY M Tompkins 9-0	A Mackay	13
11	0	FLYING BOBBY B Hanbury 9-0	–	1
14	03	MISK J Ciechanowski 9-0	G Baxter	6
15	000-	PRINGLE BAY M W Easterby 9-0	–	8
16	00-00	ROOKBARUGH M H Easterby 9-0	K Hodgson	9
17	0000	SHIHAB M Blanshard 9-0	R Cochrane	12
23	0-0	CHEZZY GIRL S Mellor 8-11	M Wigham	11
24	030-0	COUTURE LEG AFFAIR R Woodhouse 8-11	M Hindley 5	3
27	4232	GUESS AGAIN R Houghton 8-11	T Ives	10
28	03-0	MPEEPEE G Pritchard-Gordon 8-11	G Duffield	7
31	03-00	PENDORI N Callaghan 8-11	J Lowe	4

1983: Pontshastrian 9-0 L Piggott 5-2 fav H Cecil 19 ran.

7-4 Misk, 3 Guess Again, 11-2 Mpeepee, 13-2 Flying Bobby, 10 Bluecher, 12 Pendori, 18 others.

4.45 BATLEY HANDICAP (£2,225: 1m 2f) 7)

No	Form	Horse, trainer, age-weight	Jockey	Draw
1	00-00	CHARLOTTE'S DUNCE M H Easterby 4-9-10	M Birch	4
4	330-0	FLORITA G Pritchard-Gordon 4-8-3	–	6
6	3123	ZAYTOON (BF) J Ciechanowski 3-9-3	G Baxter	5
7	0000	AFRICAN PEARL (D) J S Wilson [illegible]	N Carlisle	7
11	0003	LAST DEVICE R Francis 7-8-6	S Webster	3
13	1400	PRINCE OF LIGHT (CD) Denys Smith 12-7-13	M Fry	2
15	030-	TARANTA G Blum 5-7-9	J Lowe	1

1983: Deal On 4-9-7 Pat Eddery (4-1) M Ryan 10 ran.

11-8 Zaytoon, 7-2 Last Device, 9-2 Florita, 8 Prince Of Light, 12 Taranta, 20 others.

5.15 SUMMER HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,465: 1m 4f) (9)

No	Form	Horse, trainer, weight	Jockey	Draw
4	[illegible]	TROMEROS (BF) C Brittain 9-7	P Robinson	3
6	[illegible]	JUST QUAIL S Norton 9-4	J Lowe	1

WOLVERHAMPTON

GOING: good to firm.

Draw no advantage

6.45 DAWLEY MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (2-y-o: £980: 5f) (11 runners)



No	Form	Horse, trainer, weight	Jockey	Draw
1	000	ASHLEY HOPE D Leslie 8-11	M Rimmer	2
6		GAY PRINCESS C N Williams 8-11	–	6
9	0	LUCKY ANGEL R Holder 8-11	I Johnson	4
10	0	MAYAX M Leach 8-11	D Nicholls	11
11	0390	MELODIOUS MISS D Laing 8-11	G Sexton	8
12	0000	MILVA (B) R Hannon 8-11	J Reid	10
14		MY SWEET MELODY M Usher 8-11	A McGlone	5
17	0	PETITE CAREEN E Eldin 8-11	A Mackay	1
19	00	ROGERS PRINCESS M Tate 8-11	–	7
20	03	ROSIE DICKINS (BF) R Hollinshead 8-11	S Perks	9
23		TABRIYA R Houghton 8-11	L Piggott	3

15-8 Tabriya, 5-2 Melodious Miss, 4 Rosie Dickins, 8 My Sweet Melody, 10 Petite Careen, 12 Milva. 16 others.

Wolverhampton selections

By Mandarin

6.45 Tabriya. 7.10 Call Of The Wild. 7.35 Eternal Dancer. 8.5 Saint Crespin Bay. 8.35 One Way Street. 9.5 Camden Lad.

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6.45 Petite Careen. 7.10 Call Of The Wild. 7.35 Eternal Dancer. 8.35 One Way Street. 9.5 Inset Lady.

Michael Seely's selection: 8.35 One Way Street.

7.10 ALDERSLEY MAIDEN STAKES (2-y-o c & g: £718: 5f) (8)

7.35 FEATHERSTONE SELLING HANDICAP (3-y-o: £735: 1m 3f) (9)

No	Form	Horse, trainer, weight	Jockey	Draw
		MOON CHARTER R Morris 9-1	A Mackay	1
		[illegible] K Brassey 9-1	J H Brown 5	7
		[illegible] EMBER J Bradley 8-6	J Williams	8
12	000-0	COME ON GRACIE M Pipe 8-5	T Rogers	2
13	00-00	LONACH COTTAGE (B) J Douglas-Home 8-6	I Johnson	4

9-4 Fagir, 3 Lady Hickleton, 4 Eternal Dancer, 7 Moon Charter, 9 Come On Gracie, 10 Bellard Rocket, 12 Rose of Harpenden, 16 others.

8.5 TIM GORDON MEMORIAL TROPHY HANDICAP (£2,414: 5f) (7)

No	Form	Horse, trainer, age-weight	Jockey	Draw
2	0020	SAINT CRESPIN BAY (CD) R Hannon 5-9-7	L Piggott	4
4	3000	STEEL CHARGER (D) K Brassey 7-9-0	P Robinson	7
6	3323	PENCHETTA (BF) C Williams 4-8-8	T Williams 5	5
8	0000	YANGTSE-KIANG (B) [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
9	0-412	RAPID MISS (D) N Mac[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
10	000-0	LEEKMORE (D) S Mell[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
11	0000	GODLORD T Taylor 4-7-[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

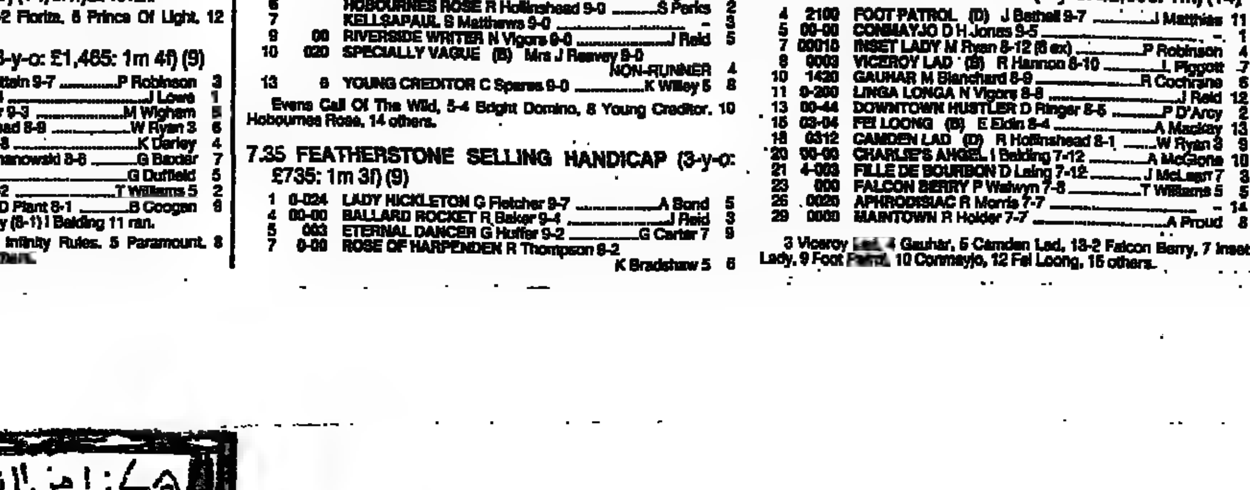
2 Saint Crespin Bay, 7-2 Penchetta, [illegible] Rapid Miss, 8 Yangtse-Kiang, 14 Leekmore, 2[illegible]

8.35 PATTINGHAM FILLIES STAKES (3-y-o: £1,460: 1m 1f) (16)

No	Form	Horse
3	0-1	ONE WAY STREET H Cecil [illegible]
8		CABRIOLET D Ringer 8-[illegible]
10	00-0	CANONESS K Cunningham[illegible]
11	3000	CASTELLITA R Houghton [illegible]
13	0000	COLDSTOR L Lightbrown [illegible]
14	0-4	CROWN AND SCEPTRE [illegible]
18	00	ERROL EMERALD E Eldin [illegible]
28	0000	MAINTOWN R Holder 8-[illegible]
30	000	MARGUARITA TIME P Fe[illegible]
32	0	MONDAY'S GIRL G Wrag[illegible]
37		NIJANNA G Fletcher 8-1[illegible]
42		PINK ALANA M Usher 8-[illegible]
45		RABUBA G Huffer 8-11
51	0-	TEALA G Huffer 8-11
52	0002	TENTRACO LADY R Hou[illegible]
53	0-	TRENTULLO BLUE P Fel[illegible]

4-11 One Way Street, 5 Monday's Girl, [illegible] Castellita, 15 others.

9.5 DAISY BANK HANDICAP (3-y-o: £2,690: 1m) (14)



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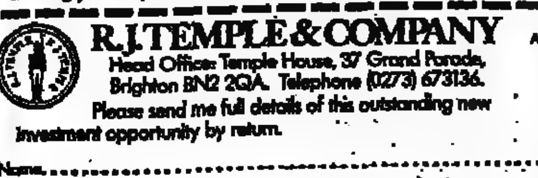
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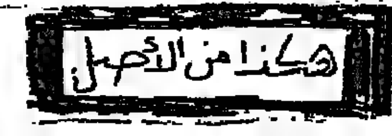
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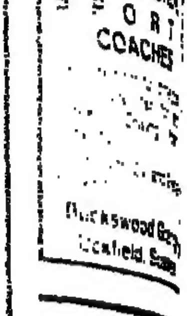
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A lecturer in Communications is required for the other post. Candidates are expected to have expertise in either digital communications including computer networking, or r.f. and microwave communications.

Salary scale is £7,191 - £14,127 per annum with contributory pension rights under FSSU or USS, initial placing on scale depending on age, qualifications and experience.

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Applications, with curriculum vitae and the names of three referees, should be sent not later than 18 August 1984 to the Secretary, Australian Studies Centre, Institute of Commonwealth Studies, 27-28 Russell Square, London WC1B 4DS, from whom further information may be obtained if required.

DEPARTMENT OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE
University of Edinburgh

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(Reference IT2/1)
(Re-advertisement)

A new lectureship is being funded under the UGC Information Technology Scheme, from 1 October 1984 or as soon as possible thereafter.

The appointee will be expected to integrate teaching and research into A.I. programming languages, with particular emphasis on logic programming systems; to collaborate with a team, under Mr Rae, working on Prolog implementation, and to interact with the large Prolog user community, eg, Dr Bundy's group. An applicant must have postdoctoral experience and proven ability for independent research and innovation. A person who already holds a permanent appointment in a United Kingdom University is not eligible for appointment under the UGC Scheme.

Salary will be on the Lecturer scale, £7,190-£14,125, with superannuation under the University Superannuation Scheme. The starting salary will depend upon age, qualifications and experience.

Further particulars may be obtained from the Secretary to the University, Old College, South Bridge, Edinburgh EH8 9YL, quoting reference number IT2/1. Applications (six copies), including curriculum vitae and the names and addresses of three referees, should be sent to the same address not later than Monday, 9th July 1984.

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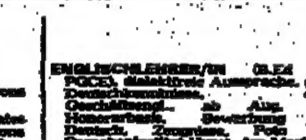
LECTURER in Pure Mathematics

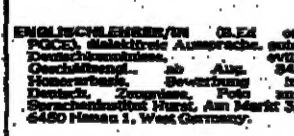
Applications are invited for a Lectureship in Pure Mathematics from 1st October, 1984. Salary scale £8,375 - £15,311 inclusive of London Allowance.

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University of Bristol
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HORIZONS

The Times guide to career choice

Dressing for interviews

Sally Hesmondhalgh on the importance of appearances

It is the day of the interview. Samantha is nervous. She wants the job – her first post in a social services department. So far she's struck lucky: with a good social science degree, and excellent references from her tutors, she went straight on to the shortlist.

The interview will last an hour, a grilling from a panel of 12 people. But the one question she finds hard to tackle is – what should she wear?

Most of the social workers she met on her college placement work wore casual clothes. Should she follow suit and go along in the bright, baggy jumpsuit she has just bought for the summer? After all, it's a very hot day.

But in the mirror, the bright colour looks *too loud*, *even with a new scarf* and handbag. Maybe the outfit would go down well in *Vogue*, but suppose the interview board is composed of middle-aged councillors?

Better play safe, thinks Samantha, and she gets out her old faithful, the timelessly smart navy blue suit.

Samantha made the right choice, according to Sonia Campbell, controller of temporary staff at London Town Staff Bureau.

"The first impression is the most important", she says. "I think employers often decide in the first 15 seconds whether or not to take someone on."

She has had some of her staff rejected by employers on grounds of dress.

"We had one girl – a lovely girl with good skills – who went to an interview wearing a trendy loose top and trousers, with her hair in a headband, and long dangly earrings. The employers thought she looked scruffy, and turned her down."

Another employer was so disgusted by his secretary's fashionably baggy clothing and "windswept" hair that he forbade her to touch his work.

"Some companies do like their staff to be brightly dressed – advertising companies, for example", said Ms. Campbell, "but 90 per cent of employing companies are very conservative in their dress rules.

"I advise staff to dress conservatively for interviews. I tell them to wear a blouse and skirt, preferably with a jacket. The colour should not be too bright: navy, blue, black or brown, or light colours like beige or white. They should wear tights – many women go bare-legged or wear socks now – and their hair should be in a neat style. Hair swept over to one side of the head in the current fashion is not usually acceptable at an interview. Shoes should match the clothes, and I would not advise casual shoes like espadrilles.

"Once a girl has been accepted into a company, after a while she can usually wear more casual clothes. Trousers are now accepted wear in many firms, as long as they are smart styles."

These rules may sound like plain common sense, but some young people do have difficulty in understanding what clothes are acceptable to prospective employers.

One young woman asked Sonia Campbell what to wear to an interview, and was advised "dress formally".

She called into the agency after seeing the employer, and walked in adorned in a shiny satin dress, with glitter earrings and teetering high heels. The final touch was a fox fur draped round her shoulders.

Ms Campbell was not surprised to hear she had not been offered the post.

What dress rules should men adopt?

"A suit is certainly safest for office jobs", was the advice of Graham Houghton, manager of a Job Centre in South London. "The only exception might be in the computer software industry, where dress is more trendy, and you could look a bit stupid in a suit."

"In the case of building work, if someone goes along looking the part in heavy boots and jeans, he will get the job. If he went along dressed in a suit or looking like Boy George he would be equally derided."

Clothing conveys complicated messages about its wearer, and young people are often confused between images which portray confidence to their friends and peer group, and images which convey the serious attitude to work which the employer is seeking.

NEWSROUND

Employment prospects for graduates are markedly better than in 1983, according to statistics published this month by the Association of Graduate Careers Advisory Services (AGCAS) and the Standing Conference of Employers of Graduates (SCOEG).

Twenty per cent of the vacancies notified by employers earlier in the year remain unfilled, and new vacancies continue to be publicized. Demand is up appreciably in the mechanical and electrical/electronic engineering sectors, and in computer-related jobs. Demand in banking and insurance seems to be higher than was forecast.

In addition, the indications are that the proportion of 1983 graduates who were unemployed at the end of December was significantly smaller than in 1982. Figures soon to be available are likely to show that the proportion of graduates who went directly into employment rather than to further study has also increased.

In the field of further study, new postgraduate studentships from the five research councils will be more numerous this year than in last, with the Science and Engineering Research Council – where the main increase is – offering some 370 more awards.

The AGCAS and the SCOEG also report that employers are having difficulty in recruiting graduates of the right quality and in the right disciplines. This seems to have been caused partly by the fact that an increasing number of graduates have been delaying their active search for jobs until they complete their degree studies.

Other titles in the series cover accountancy, brewing, design, computers, marketing, office jobs, retail management, road transoprt, shipbuilding, and travel and tourism. Copies are available at 99p each plus 25p p&p from the Manpower Services Commission, c/o Papworth Industries, Papworth Everard Cambridge CB3 8RG.

Another survey published this month explains how there has been a simultaneous rise in both unemployment and employment – something which has been puzzling commentators in recent months. The survey, published by the Manpower Services Commission, shows that while the employed labour force (including the self-employed) increased in 1983 by about 150,000 the number of women working part-time increased by 200,000. It goes on to suggest that many of those additional part-timers came, not from the ranks of the unemployed, but from outside' the working population.

The survey also confirms that, despite higher industrial output, there is little sign of improvement in the position of the 1.1 million long-term unemployed who now account for 39 per cent of all unemployed people. In April this year, half of the long-term unemployed had been without work for over two years and of those nearly a third had been jobless for over three years.

Fournew career guides were published this month by the Career and Occupational Information Centre as part of its prolific "Working In . . ." series. The four guides, *Working in Journalism, Working In Engineering Crafts, Working in Hospitals*, and *Working In Community Care*, give a detailed insight into each career by profiling the daily routine of employees and spotlighting the personal and educational requirements job descriptions career prospects and training opportunities.

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Salary is in the range £8,376 to £13,311 per annum (under review), including London weighting.
Applications, including a curriculum vitae, list of publications and the names of three referees, should be sent to: Professor T. W. Kibble, Imperial College, London SW7 2BZ, to arrive not later than 31st August, 1984. Further details may be obtained from Professor J. C. Dainty at the above address.

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A major 5-year project on automatic speech recognition is to start in Edinburgh in October 1984, as part of the Alvey Demonstration Project led by the Plessey Company. The Edinburgh research will be co-ordinated by the University's new Centre for Speech Technology, working with members of the Departments of Linguistics, Artificial Intelligence, and Electrical Engineering. Computing resources will include 2 VAX 11/750's and a network of Xerox 1108's running Interlisp-D. Seventeen research and support posts are available, as listed below. Candidates for the research posts, some of which are senior positions, should normally be post-doctoral.

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Application forms and further particulars may be obtained from The Registrar, The University, PO Box 147, Liverpool L69 3BX, by whom completed forms should be received not later than 20 July, 1984. Quote Ref: RV/557/T.

The Queen's University of Belfast

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Further particulars may be obtained from the Personnel Officer, The Queen's University of Belfast, BT7 1NN, Northern Ireland. Closing date: 31 July 1984. (Please quote Ref. 84/T).

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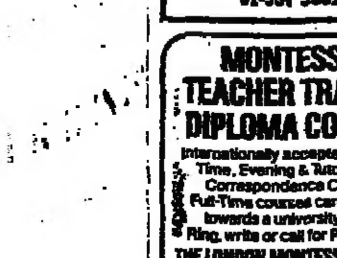
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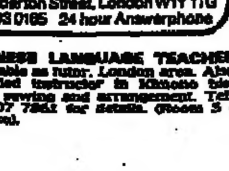
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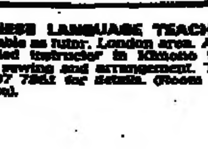
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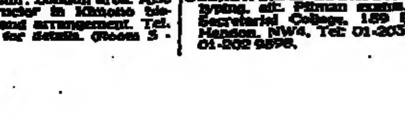
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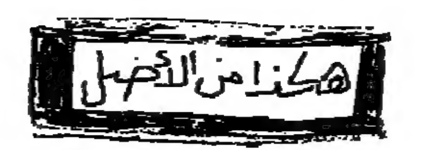
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BBC 1

6.00 Ceefax AM. News headlines, weather, traffic and sports bulletins. Also available to viewers with television sets without the teletext facility.

6.30 Breakfast Time with Selina Scott and Mike Smith. News from Fern Britton at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00 and 8.30 with headlines on the quarter hours; sport at 6.40 and 7.40; regional news, weather and traffic at 6.45, 7.15, 7.45 and 8.15; television choice at 6.55; a review of the morning newpapers at 7.18 and 8.18; horoscopes at 8.33; 'phone-in financial advice between 8.30 and 9.00.

9.00 Gardeners' World from Barnsdale. Geoff Hamilton deals with winter vegetables: Anne Mayo with biennials and perennials; and Bonham Bazeley with a decorative fruit garden (shown last Friday).

9.25 Home on Sunday. Cliff Michelmore talks to Spike Milligan about his religious beliefs and his favourite religious songs (shown yesterday) (Ceefax titles page 170). 10.00 Ceefax 10.30 Play School, presented by Sheelagh Gilbey (r). 10.55 Ceefax.

1.00 News After Noon with Richard Whitmore and Frances Coverdale. The weather prospects come from Jim Bacon. 1.27 Regional news (London and SE only: Financial report followed by news headlines with subtitles). 1.30 Hokey Cokey. A See-Saw programme for the very young (r).

1.45 Wimbledon 84 introduced by Harry Carpenter. Live coverage of the opening day of the tournament begins with John McEnroe, the defending champion, playing Paul McNamee. Coverage on BBC 2 begins at 2.20. 4.18 Regional news (not London).

4.20 Play School, presented by Brian Cant. 4.45 Lassie helps a failure to become a success. 5.05 John Craven's Newsround. 5.10 Blue Peter Flies the World. From Sri Lanka Peter finds sapphires at the bottom of a stinking pit; Simon takes a perilous rope walk; and Janet meets a large and unusual bathing companion.

5.40 Sixty Minutes begins with news read by Moira Stuart followed by weather at 5.54; regional news magazines at 5.55; and ending with news headlines at 6.38.

6.40 World of Wildlife: The Vanishing Jungle. A documentary about the world's loss as more and more jungle is razed to the ground (r) (Ceefax titles page 170).

7.10 Maninmal. Criminologist Jonathan Chase investigates the murder attempt on a girl who was raised by wolves in India. Starring Simon MacCorkindale (Ceefax titles page 170).

7.55 Points of View. Barry Took fields the criticism and the praise sent by BBC Television viewers.

8.05 Panorama Special: The Battle Against Heroin. Peter Taylor reports on the dramatic increase in this country of heroin addiction. (See Choice)

9.00 News with John Humphrys.

9.25 Come Dancing. David Jacobs presents the final of the competition, from Cheltenham Town Hall, between Wales and Midlands and West. The commentator is Bruce Hammel.

10.15 Wimbledon 84 Highlights of the first day's play.

11.15 Inside YTS. The last of five films on the Youth Training Scheme in action (r).

11.38 News headlines.

11.40 Mavericks: Ploughing a New Furrow. A profile of Dr Alan Reece who has spent half his life-time studying applications of the plough.

12.10 Weather

TV-am

6.25 Good Morning Britain presented by Anne Diamond and Mike Morris. News with Jayne Irving at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; sport at 6.35 and 7.33; Jeni Barnett's postbag at 6.40; financial advice at 6.45 and 8.45; exercises at 6.50 and 9.15; the day's anniversaries at 7.05 and 8.15; The Associates pop video at 7.55; astrology at 8.20; television highlights at 8.34; discussion on dieticians at 9.03.

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9.25 Thames news headlines. 9.30 For Schools: The life of a heron. 9.47 Learning to read with Basil Brush. 9.59 A visit to a Safari park. 10.11 Basic maths: pendulums. 10.31 How poetry can fight injustice. 11.00 Documentary: Science in Sport. 11.22 A family living on the outskirts of Vienna. 11.41 The treasures of the Tower of London.

12.00 Gammon and Spinach. Valerie Pitts with a picture story – The Walking Coat. 12.10 Let's Pretend to the story of What Father Christmas Does in the Summer. 12.30 Home Sweet Home. Comedy series. This week, Enzo and his neighbour plan a love-match between their two families.

1.00 News with Leonard Parkin. 1.20 Thames news from Robin Houston. 1.30 Vintage Quiz. Lighthearted panel game between two teams, one led by Pete Murray, the other by Faith Brown.

2.00 Film: Goldengirl. The second and final part of the film which began yesterday afternoon, about a supergirl athlete with a secret. Starring Susan Anton in the title role, James Coburn, Robert Culp and Curt Jurgens. 3.50 Cartoon Time. (r).

4.00 Gammon and Spinach. A repeat of the programme shown at noon. 4.15 Dangermouse (r). 4.20 The Incredible Hulk. 4.45 Dramarama: Snoop! by James Doran. A cub reporter finds that his assignment is anything but routine (Oracle titles page 170). 5.15 Gambit.

5.45 News. 6.00 Thames news.

6.25 Help! Community action news.

6.35 Crossroads. John Latchford exchanges angry words with his ex-wife.

7.00 What's My Line? Ernie Wise, Jilly Cooper, Jeffrey Archer, Barbara Kelly and George Gale have to deduce a person's occupation from a brief piece of mime. Eamonn Andrews is the chairman.

7.30 Coronation Street. An old friend from Jersey finds Billy Walker in the Rovers' (Oracle titles page 170).

8.00 Brass. The superior comedy continues with the answers to last week's episode. Has George Fairchild survived the SBD blast at the Utterly public lavatory? And will Bradley Hardacre's family succeed in having him committed to an asylum?

8.30 World in Action: Drilling for Gold. A documentary that shows how some dentists are earning enormous salaries for carrying out non-essential work.

9.00 The Sweeney. Another case for Regan and Carter of Scotland Yard's Flying Squad (r).

10.00 News.

10.30 Quincy. The pathologist thinks the worst of an old girlfriend whose husband has been murdered.

11.30 All in the Mind. The first of six programmes designed to take the mystique out of psychology.

12.00 The Adventurer. Gene Bradley is brainwashed to carry out a film murder for real. Starring Gene Barry (r).

12.25 Night Thoughts from singer-guitarist Jim Blomfield.

Bernadette Short: Round and Round (BBC 2, 9.25 pm)

● THE BATTLE AGAINST HEROIN (BBC 1, 8.05 pm), a Panorama "special", is frightening; both in intention and effect. Despairing, too, in the way that most reports on Northern Ireland and Lebanon tend to be. Possibly the most worrying single fact to emerge from Peter Taylor's investigation is that the heroin menace has crept outwards from our big cities. East Dorset has been affected. So have Great Yarmouth and Dundee; even the small towns and villages of East Cumbria. Inevitably, the programme examines the devastating effects that heroin has on both addict and family. There is, for instance, the father who kept his two young daughters virtual prisoners to prevent them from getting any more of the stuff; and the father who buys the drug for his son as to deter him from turning to crime.

CHOICE

● ROUND AND ROUND (BBC 2, 9.25 pm), John Fortune's new romantic comedy series, will probably improve. Either that or, as the weeks go by Mr Fortune's general intention will become clearer to us. Tonight's opening episode, in which a girl's first romance is built on sand, indicates that the pattern is going to be concerned with love betrayed. If that is so, then it will have to be less predictable than what we are offered tonight if it hopes to claim our attention.

The one hopeful sign is that the girl who appears fated to make a journey through a vale of disillusionment is played by Bernadette Shortt, who is new to me. It is pleasant to make the acquaintance of such an attractive and talented young actress.

● Radio choice: The fact that the history books tell us what happened to Ireland's first agricultural commune, the Ralahine Cooperative, back in the 1830s, should not spoil your enjoyment of part two of John Arden's and Margaretta D'Arcy's THE MANCHESTER ENTHUSIASTS (Radio 4, 8.15 pm). This play you will have learnt from last Monday night's first half . . . IT MAKES ME LAUGH (Radio 4, 12.27 pm) is proving to be a proper tonic: half an hour of really good fun, fully meriting its Tuesday evening repeat. . . . Musical highlights: on Shura Cherkassky's piano recital on Radio 3 (7.00 and 7.55 pm).

Peter Davalle

BBC 2

6.05 Open University: Music: Harmonic Analysis, 1. 6.30 Photochemical Pathways. 6.55 Maths: Networks and Matrices. 7.20 Desert Ecology. 7.45 Steel Castings. Ends at 8.10.

9.00 Ceefax.

10.00 Daytime on Two: You and me. For the very young. 10.15 Children copy sounds of some South American animals. 10.38 Modern History: Israel and the Arab states. 11.00 Primary school children explore the countryside and visit a farm museum. 11.23 Capricorn Game. 11.38 Ceefax. 2.01 Words and pictures, presented by Vicky Ireland.

2.20 Wimbledon '84 introduced by Harry Carpenter from the All England Club. Coverage of the action on the main courts plus news of the games on the outer courts. The commentators are Dan Maskell, John Barrett, Gerald Williams, Barry Davies, Mark Cox, Bill Threlfall, Ann Jones and Virginia Wade.

7.30 News summary with subtitles.

7.35 Vegetarian Kitchen. Sarah Brown presents the fourth programme of her series and begins with the secrets of cooking brown rice to perfection. Also on the programme are recipes for cornbread muffins and a Middle Eastern salad, tabbouleh. There is also a behind-the-scenes look at the kitchens of a leading vegetarian restaurant, Cranks.

8.00 Call My Bluff. Robert Robinson is in the chair for the witty word competition between Frank Muir's team of Susan Hill and Nigel Havers and Arthur Marshall's of Paul Eddington and Angela Thorne (r).

8.30 Tenko. Part one of Lavinia Warner's 10-episode serial about women prisoners-of-war in Japanese occupied territory. The story begins on day two of a forced march to who knows where. Starring Ann Bell, Stephanie Cole, Stephanie Beacham and Patricia Lawrence (r) (Ceefax titles page 170).

9.25 Round and Round. The first of a new six-part "serious comedy" written by John Fortune, that traces the progress of Maureen Stevens from adolescent crush, through marriage, children and divorce to the search for love again. In tonight's episode 16-year-old Maureen yearns for love in a 1958 ballroom dancing class. Starring Bernadette Shortt. (See Choice)

9.55 Diary of a Maasai Village. The first of a series of documentaries following events in a Kenyan village over a period of seven weeks (Ceefax titles page 170).

10.45 Newsnight.

11.30 Open University: Measure for Measure Workshop: 2 11.55 Space in the City. 12.20 Management and the School: Knottley Fields, 1. Ends at 12.50.

CHANNEL 4

5.00 Countdown. The fourth quarter-final of the fast-moving anagrams and mental arithmetic competition pits the fourth seed, Mike Mills, an underground guard from London, against Brian Hudson, a textile executive from Stockport, the number five seed. Richard Whiteley is the questionmaster, assisted by Gyles Brandreth.

5.30 Jeopardy. Derek Hobson with another edition of the back-to-front quiz. Contestants are given the answer by Mr Hobson and they have to provide the question.

6.00 The Kellogg's BMX Championship. The third round and the eight teams are in Birmingham.

6.30 Number at Work. Fred Harris with another programme in his series designed to assist those whose mind goes blank at the thought of figurework. In tonight's programme he discusses measuring in metres, kilometres and kilograms. (r)

7.00 Channel Four News includes a report from Lawrence McGinty on test-tube baby technology, with some of the most revealing film on the subject.

7.50 Comment. With her view on a matter of topical importance is Patricia Morison, a fellow of All Souls College, Oxford.

8.00 Scully. The final episode of Alan Bleasdale's saga about Franny Scully, a Liverpool urchin, and his world begins to crumble about him. It starts well with Scully getting his long-awaited football trial with Liverpool but then he is charged with robbery and is advised by his mates to flee to the Shetland Islands. Starring Andrew Schofield in the title role.

9.00 Africa. The last programme of Basil Davidson's series examines the plus and minuses of African states since the end of colonial rule. The programme includes interviews with Mugabe in Zimbabwe, Shagari in Nigeria and Senghor in Senegal.

10.00 US Olympic Track and Field Trials. Highlights of the weekend's events at the Coliseum in Los Angeles. Among those taking part are Ed Moses, Carl Lewis and Mary Decker. The commentators are Adrian Metcalfe and Alan Pascoe.

11.00 The Eleventh Hour: Africa on Africa – Camera d'Afrique. A feature length historical survey of African film production that launches British television's first season of African films. Director and Tunisian film historian, Ferid Boughedir, looks at the work of film-makers and discusses with them their problems and aspirations.

12.45 Closedown.

Radio 4

6.00 News Briefing; Weather.
6.10 Farming Week from Northern Ireland. 6.25 Shipping Forecast.
6.30 Today, including 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News Summary. 6.45 Prayer for the Day. 6.55, 7.55 Weather. 7.00, 8.00 Today's News 7.25, 8.25 Sport 7.45 Thought for the Day.
8.35 The Week on 4. A look ahead. With Clive Roslin.
8.43 Glyn Worsnip in the BBC Sound Archives. 8.57 Weather; Travel.
9.00 News.
9.05 Start the week with Richard Baker and studio guests.
10.00 News; Money Box.
10.30 Morning story: "The Engagement Diary" by Mark Bourne. Read by David March.
10.45 Daily Service.
11.00 News; Travel; Down Your Way. Brian Johnston visits Lancaster (r).
11.48 Poetry Please! with Alan Brownjohn. The readers are Christopher Scott and Isabel Dean.
12.00 News; You and Yours.
12.27 It Makes Me Laugh. Maria Aitken, actress and chat show hostess, shares her appetite for fun with John Dunn, and picks some favourite music and comedy records. 12.55 Weather; Programme News.
1.00 The World at One: News.
1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping Forecast.
2.00 News; Woman's Hour. Today's edition includes an interview with Jeanine McMullen, recorded on her farm in the Welsh hills.
3.00 Afternoon Theatre: Looking After Ourselves. By Margaret Crane.
4.17 Portrait of R. F. McKenzie, former headmaster of Aberdeen's Sommerhill Academy.
4.40 Story Time: "The Year of the Lion" by Gerald Hanley. Abridged for radio in 12 parts (3). The reader is Nigel Anthony.
5.00 PM: News Magazine. 5.50 Shipping Forecast. 5.55 Weather; Programme News.
6.00 The Six o'clock News: Financial Report.
6.30 Just a Minute with Nicholas Parsons, Kenneth Williams, Clement Freud, Libby Purves and Henry Kelly (r).
7.00 News.
7.05 The Archers.
7.20 Science Now. Weekly review of discoveries and developments from the would of science. With Colin Tudge.
7.50 Footlights 83. Music and comedy highlights, recorded last year at Liverpool University.
8.15 The Monday Play "The Manchester Enthusiasts". Two plays for radio by John Arden and Margaretta D'Arcy. Part one was heard last Monday night. Tonight's play deals with the events surrounding the fall of the Ralahine Co-operative, Ireland's first agricultural commune in the last century, under the influence of the County Clare landowner John Scott Vandeleur (Alan Rickman). Also starring Christian Rodska (as Edward Craig), Stephen Rea and Judith Barker.†
9.45 Kaleidoscope: Tonight's edition includes comment on the film Rueben, Reuben; the Andre Kertesz exhibition at the National Museum of Photography, Bradford; and Saul Bellow's book Him with His Foot in His Mouth, and Other Stories.
10.15 A Book at Bedtime: "Riceyman Steps" by Arnold Bennett. Abridged for radio in 15 parts (1). Read by Martin Jarvis.
10.30 The World Tonight, including 11.0 News Headlines.
11.15 The Financial World Tonight.
11.30 Today in Parliament.
12.00 News.
12.10 Weather.
12.15 Shipping Forecast.
ENGLAND: VHF as above except: 6.25-6.30 Weather; Travel. 10.45-12.00 For Schools: 10.45 Club Tel? 11.00 Music Makers. 11.20 Let's Move! 11.40 Science Games. 11.50 Poetry Corner. 1.55-2.00 Listening Corner. 2.00-3.00 For Schools: 2.00 Playtime. 2.15 Introducing Science. 2.35 Notice Board. 2.40 Listening to Music. 11.00 Study on 4: Under Stress (1) What is Stress? 11.30-12.10 Open University: 11.30 Pastoral Care. 11.50 Organic Chemistry. 12.30-1.10 am Schools Night-Time Broadcasting: 12.30 Making Work. 12.50 YTS Briefing.

Radio 3

6.55 Weather. 7.00 News.
7.05 Morning Concert: Johann Strauss's overture Die Fledermaus; Prokofiev's Winter Bonfire, Op 122; Enesco's Romanian Rhapsody No 1 in A; and Bizet's Jeux d'enfants. † 8.00 News.
8.05 Morning Concert: part two. Arensky's overture Dream on the Volga; Telemann's Suite Don Quichotte; Poulenc's Concerto in D minor for two pianos (Poulenc/Fevrier/Paris Conservatoire Orchestra); † 9.00 News.
9.05 This Week's Composers: Beethoven. Contata on Death of Emperor Joseph (Lott/Dean/BBC Singers); Variations on La ci darem la anglais). †
10.00 Martino Tirimo: the pianist plays Debussy's Estampes; Liszt's Petrach Sonnet No 123; Rigoletto: Concert Paraphrase, and other works by Liszt. †
10.35 Scriabin: Frankurt Radio Symphony Orchestra play the Symphony No 2. †
11.25 French Violin Music Fauré's Violin Sonata No 2; his Berceuse; and Lili Boulganger's D'un matin de printemps; Nocturne, Played by Tomotada Sch (violin) and Paul Hamburger (piano). †
12.05 Benjamin Britten: BBC Symphony Orchestra, with Colin Carr (cello). Prelude and Fergue for 18-part string orchestra; and Symphony for Cello and Orchestra. † 1.00 News.
1.05 BBC Lunchtime Concert: Endellion String Quartet plays Haydn's Quartet in E major, Op 54 No 3; and Britten's Quartet No 2 in C. †
2.00 Music Weekly: Including a 70th birthday conversation with Rafael Kubelik anda talk on Britten and the String Quartet, by Hans Keils (r). †
2.50 New Records: Holborne's Pavane, and other works; Beethoven's String Quartet in D, Op 18 No 3; Martinu's Piano Sonata (Kvapil, Piano); Rodrigo's Fantasia para un gentilhombre (John Williams, soloist); and Stravinsky's ballet The Firebird. † 4.55 News.
5.00 Mainly for Pleasure: another of Natalie Wheen's selections.
6.30 Music for Organ: Christopher Bowers-Broadbent, on the organ of the Royal Fe stival Hall, London, plays works by Purcell, Blow, Bach and Lutyens (Sinfonia for organ, Op 32). †
7.00 Shura Cherkassky: Recital at the Sheldonian Theatre, Oxford, Part one. The pianist plays Beethoven's Sonata in E flat major, Op 27 No 1; and Brahm's Variations on a theme of Paganini, Op 35.
7.45 Golden Cockerel: Alec McGowan reads Antony Wood's translation of the Pushkin story.
7.55 Shura Cherkassky: recital. Part two. An all-Chopin programme: the Scherzo in B minor, Op 20; Nocturnes in D flat major, Op 27 No 2 and in E Minor, Op 72 No 1; and Polonaise in A flat, Op 53. †
8.45 BBC Philharmonic Orchestra: with Mayumi Fujikawa (violin). Bartok's Music for strings, percussion and celesta; Glazumov's violin Concerto in A minor; and Sibelius's Symphony No 5. † Interval reading at 9.20.
10.30 Jazz Today: Charles Fox presents Lysis.
11.15 News. Until 11.18.
VHF: 6.15am-6.55 Open University: Analysis the Analyses (1); and Religious Experience. Then, from 11.20 pm to 12.00 midnight, also on VHF, Open University: A Chritian Testimony; and Differentation in Action.

Radio 2

News on the hour. Major bulletins: 7.00 am, 8.00, 1.00pm, 5.00 and 12 midnight. Headlines: 5.30 am, 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 (mf/mw).
4.00 am Colin Berry. † 5.30 Ray Moore. † 7.30 Terry Wogan † incl 8.31 Racing Bulletin. 10.00 Jimmy Young. † 12.00 pm Ken Bruce † incl 1.05 Sports Desk. 2.00 Wimbledon 84. Commentary on the opening of the Men's Singles. 7.00 John Dunn † (mf and vhf) including 7.30 Cricket Scores. 8.00 Alan Dell with Dance Band Days and Big Band Era. † 9.00 Humphrey Lyttleton (with The Best of Jazz. † 9.55 Sport Desk. 10.00 Cast, in Order of Disappearance. A six-part thriller series starring Francis Matthews and Fiona Hendley. 6: King Rat. 10.30 Star Sound with Nick Jackson and soundtrack requests. 11.00 Brian Matthew presents Round Midnight (stereo from midnight). 1.00 am Patrick Lunt presents Nightride. † 3.00-4.00 Folk On 2 with Cyril Tawney. †

Radio 1

news on the half-hour from 6.30 am until 9.30 pm and at 12.00 midnight (mf/mw). 6.00 am Bruno Brookes. 7.00 Adrian John. 9.00 Simon Bates. 11.30 Gary Davies, including 12.30 Newsnight. 2.00 Steve Wright. 4.30 Peter Powell, including 5.30 Newsbeat. 7.00 David Jensen. 10.00-12.00 John Peel. † VHF Radios 1 and 2: 4.00 am with Radio 2. 2.00 pm Gloria Hunniford. † 3.30 Music All The Way. † 4.00 Paul Burnett † 6.00 John Dunn. † 8.00 With Radio 2. 10.00 With Radio 1. 12.00-4.00 With Radio 2.

WORLD SERVICE

6.00am Newsdesk. 6.30 Baker's Half Dozen. 7.00 World News. 7.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 7.30 Sarah and Company. 8.00 World News 8.09 Reflections. 8.15 Villette. 8.30 Anything Goes. 9.00 World News. 9.09 Review of the British Press. 9.15 Waveguide. 9.25 Good Books. 9.40 Look Ahead. 9.45 Music Now. 10.15 Kenneth Matthews Contemplates 11.00 World News. 11.09 News About Britain. 11.15 An Ice Cream War. 11.30 Omnibus. 12.00 Radio Newsreel 12.15 Brain of Britain 1984. 12.45 Sports Round-up. 1.00 World News 1.09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary. 1.30 Swinging Sixties. 1.45 Journey into Hope. 2.30 At The Piano. 3.00 Radio Newsreel. 3.15 Outlook. 4.00 World News. 4.09 Commentary. 4.15 Wimbledon '84. 4.30 Kenneth Matthews Contemplates 8.00 World News. 8.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 8.30 Sports International 9.00 Network U.K. 9.15 Wimbledon Report. 9.30 Counterpoint. 10.00 World News. 10.09 The World Today. 10.25 Book Choice. 10.25 Interlude. 10.30 Financial News 10.45 Sports Roundup. 11.00 World News 11.09 Commentary. 11.15 The Foodyke Saga 11.30 Brain of Britain 1984. 12.00 World News. 12.09 News About Britain. 12.15 Radio Newsreel. 12.30 Journey into Hope 1.15 Outlook. 1.45 Such Sweet Harmony. 2.00 World News. 2.09 Review of the British Press. 2.15 Network U.K. 2.30 Sports International. 3.00 World News. 3.09 News About Britain. 3.15 The World Today. 3.30 John Peel. 4.45 Financial News 4.55 Reflections. 5.00 World News. 5.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 5.45 The World Today.
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BBC 1 Wales: 1.27pm-1.30 News of Wales Headlines. 4.18-4.20 News of Wales Headlines. 5.55 Wales Today. 6.40-7.10 Sheepdog Trials. 12.10 am News and weather. Scotland: 1.25-1.30 The Scottish News. 5.55 Scotland: Sixty Minutes. 6.40-7.10 Fanfare. 12.10 am News and weather. Northern Ireland: 1.27-1.30 Northern Ireland News. 4.18-4.20 Northern Ireland News. 5.55 Scene Around Six. 6.40-7.10 Minding Your Own Business. 12.10am News and Weather. England: Regional news magazines. 6.40-7.10 East – It's Your Image. Midlands – Be a Sport! North – Ransome. North East – North Country. North West – The Big Hole. South – Southsport. South West – Three in the Wild. West – Country Living. 12.15 am Close.

S4C Starts 2.00 pm Yn-eu Cynefin. 2.20 Chwedlau Aesop. 2.35 Interval. 2.50 Film: Action in the North Atlantic. 5.00 Pictiwrs Bach. 5.05 Helfa Drysor. 5.35 Barriers. 6.00 Bewitched. 6.30 Babble. 7.00 Newyddion Saith. 7.30 Penigamp. 8.00 Upstairs, Downstairs. 9.00 Delme. 9.45 Y Byd Ar Bedwar. 10.15 Agony. 10.45 Sex Matters. 11.30 Visions. 12.25 am Tube Extra: Frankie Goes to Hollywood video. 12.50 Closedown.

GRAMPIAN As London except: 12.30 pm-1.00 All in the Mind. 1.20 News 1.30 That's Hollywood. 2.00-4.00 Film: The Hill (Sean Connery). 6.00 North Tonight. 6.30-7.00 Database. 9.00-10.00 Golden Girl. 10.30 Golden Girl contd. 11.20 Demis Roussos Magic. 12.30 am News, Closedown.

REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

ULSTER As London except: 12.30 pm-1.00 All in the Mind. 1.20 Lunchtime. 1.30 Film: One And Only (Henry Winkler). 3.30-4.00 Whose Baby? 5.15-5.45 Survival. 6.00 Good Evening Ulster. 6.30-7.00 Spice of Life. 9.00-10.00 Golden Girl. 10.30 Golden Girl contd. 11.20 Hill Street Blues. 12.15 am News, Closedown.

YORKSHIRE As London except: 12.30 pm-1.00 All in the Mind. 1.20 News. 1.30 Film: White Corridors (Googie Withers). 3.05 Suomi – Land of the Finns. 3.30-4.00 Glenroe. 5.15-5.45 Silver Spoons. 6.00 Calendar. 6.30-7.00 It's a Vet's Life. 9.00-10.00 Golden Girl. 10.30 Golden Girl contd. 11.20 Calendar Commentary. 11.50 Jazz. 12.20 am Closedown.

TYNE TEES As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 All in the Mind. 1.20 News and Lookaround. 1.30-2.00 Look Who's Talking. 5.15-5.45 Just Our Luck. 6.00 News. 6.02 Gambit. 6.30-7.00 Northern Life. 9.00-10.00 Quincy. 10.32 Thriller. 11.55 St Peter, Closedown.

HTV WEST As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 All in the Mind. 1.20 News. 1.30 Film: Rains of Ranchipur (Richard Burton). 3.30-4.00 Glenroe. 5.15-5.45 Vintage Quiz. 6.00-7.00 News. 9.00-10.00 Golden Girl. 10.30 Golden Girl, contd. 11.20 Hill Street Blues. 12.20am Closedown.

HTV WALES As HTV West except: 6.00pm-7.00 Wales at Six. 11.20-12.20am Body and Soul.

TSW As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 All in the Mind. 1.20 News. 1.30 Film: Stolen Hours (Susan Hayward). 3.15 Cartoon. 3.30-4.00 Animals in Action. 5.15-5.45 Whose Baby? 6.00 Today South West. 6.30-7.00 Sportsweek. 9.00-10.00 Golden Girl. 10.34 Golden Girl, contd. 11.20 Postscript. 11.25 Quincy. 12.21am Closedown.

GRANADA As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 All in the Mind. 1.20 Granada Reports. 1.30 Film: Carve Her Name With Pride (Virginia McKenna). 3.30-4.00 Glenroe. 5.15-5.45 Silver Spoons. 6.00 Sons and Daughters. 6.30-7.00 Granada Reports. 9.00-10.00 Golden Girl. 10.30 Golden Girl, contd. 11.20 Gladys Knight and the Pips. 12.20am Closedown.

BORDER As London except: 12.30 pm-1.00 All in the Mind. 1.20 News. 1.30 Film: Best Pair of Legs in the Business. 3.30-4.00 Glenroe. 5.15-5.45 At Ease. 6.00 Lookaround. 6.15 Canon in the Kitchen. 6.30-7.00 Gambit. 9.00-10.00 Golden Girl. 10.30 Golden Girl, cont. 11.20 Sweeney. 12.20 am News, Closedown.

TVS As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 All in the Mind. 1.20 News. 1.30-2.00 About Britain. 5.15-5.45 Young Doctors. 6.00 Coast to Coast. 6.40-7.00 Airmail. 10.30 Hill Street Blues. 11.30 Preview. 12.00 Company, Closedown.

CHANNEL As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 All in the Mind. 1.20 News. 1.30 Film: Stolen Hours. 3.15 Cartoon. 3.30-4.00 Animals in Action. 5.15-5.45 Whose Baby? 6.00 Channel Report. 6.30-7.00 Spice of Life. 9.00-10.00 Golden Girl. 10.34 Golden Girl, contd. 11.20 Hymn Writers. 11.25 Quincy. 12.20am Closedown.

SCOTTISH As London except: 12.30 pm-1.00 All in the Mind. 1.20 News. 1.30 Film: The Burglars (Omar Sharif). 3.30-4.00 Glenroe. 5.15-5.45 Benson. 6.00 Scotland Today. 6.30 Hear Here. 6.45-7.00 Crime Desk. 9.00-10.00 Golden Girl. 10.30 Golden Girl, contd. 11.20 Late Call. 11.25 Mysteries of Edgar Wallace.* 12.25 am Closedown.

CENTRAL As London except: 12.30 pm-1.00 All in the Mind. 1.20 News. 1.30 Film: Hotel Sahara* (Peter Ustinov). 3.00 That's Hollywood: The Liberated Woman. 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors. 5.15-5.45 Newshound. 6.00 News. 6.30-7.00 Take 30. 9.00-10.00 Golden Girl. 10.30 Golden Girl contd. 11.20 Motor Cycling. 12.20 am Contact. 12.35 Closedown.

ANGLIA As London except: 12.30 pm-1.00 All in the Mind. 1.20 News. 1.30-2.00 Whose Baby? 5.15-5.45 Joanie Loves Chachi. 6.00 About Anglia. 6.30-7.00 Diff'rent Strokes. 10.30 Anglia Reports. 11.00 Hill Street Blues. 1.30 All Kinds of Country. 12.30 am Personal View, Closedown.

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EXHIBITIONS

ART GALLERIES

'There was a hell of a jolt, everything went black'

Derailed express ploughs into houses

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line between two embankments, but five carriages had torn free, leapt an embankment and jack-knifed to a halt against the houses.

Mr Carr believed he had been saved by a stout old tree that grew at the top of his garden and which had deflected the carriages away from his house.

From homes on the opposite side of the embankment people summoned the emergency services and ran down to the line. "Everything was covered in a pall of dust and it was pitch dark", said one rescuer. They attacked the windows of the coaches with hammers to free the passengers inside who were banging on the roof shouting for help.

Mr Peter Wilson said: "We got one couple out and they were asking if their children were safe in the next compartment. I didn't think there was anybody in the next compartment but when we broke the window the children were there safe and sound and still asleep", he said.

A 30ft length of steel line had been torn up and hurled against Mr Wilson's garden fence, narrowly missing his greenhouse. At the foot of his garden, a dozen or more bogeys weighing many tons lay piled together with a mass of fractured concrete sleepers.

The scene of the derailment was close to where a London-to-Aberdeen night express crashed in 1969, killing six people and injuring one hundred.

British Rail said the coaches involved in yesterday's crash were a new design incorporating safety features that were the result of lessons learned from the Taunton sleeper train crash. The features included stronger linkage between coaches and more fire prevention measures.

Among those still detained in hospital was the driver of the train, Mr Peter Allen, aged 59, of North Berwick. He was freed by rescuers who broke through the window of his drivers cab with hammers to reach him.

Mr Carr said it was incredible in all the davastation that no one had ever been injured seriously.

British Rail said that the line could be closed for several days.



Police and rescue teams at the scene of the derailment of the Aberdeen to London night sleeper. "There was a helluva jolt," a survivor said. "Then everything went black".





Mr and Mrs Gerald Flood (left who escaped the crash, and workmen checking the damage to one of the coaches lying on its side

Railmen to tighten blockade of coal

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would normally get, and which in the case of a guard would be about £104 a week.

Mr Knapp said that £2,000 had been raised from collections round the country to pay the Shirebrook men.

He added: "We are confident that there will not be any coal moved anywhere in the country within a matter of the next few days."

● Fresh peace moves are afoot as the miners' strike goes into its sixteenth week today with the Natonal Coal Board anxiously awaiting the response to a "back to work" appeal from its chairman, Mr Ian MacGregor (Our Labour Editor writes).

Mr Stan Orme, Opposition spokesman on energy, has had informal contacts with the board and the National Union of Mineworers and is seeking to restart the peace process which collapsed amid bitter recriminations twelve days ago.

He told *The Times* last night: "I am in touch with both sides, and I will be following this up further during the week." He was guardedly optimistic that discussions between the warring parties could be resumed in the spirit of the Edinburgh conference which yielded some common ground on June 8.

There have been other contacts between the board and leaders of its management unions, at which the managers expressed dismay at board predictions that the dispute could last until December.

The NUM national executive gathers again in Sheffield on Thursday, having agreed to meet every fortnight instead of at monthly intervals for the duration of the strike.

Any peace feelers, either direct or through third parties, would be reported to the meeting. Both sides are conscious that the union's July 11-12 delegate conference is likely to intensify the dispute.

Meanwhile, pickets will be out in force from early today to prevent pitmen fom heeding the chairman's appeal to resume, normal working. A taste of the front-line militancy was given at the weekend at Tilmanstone colliery in Kent, where a group of strikers occupied the control room in protest at the board's "strike-breaking activities".

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

Royal engagements

The Duke of Edinburgh attends a ceremony marking the completion of the restoration of the Prince Christian Victor statue in Windsor, Berks, 12.15; and later, as trustee of the Prince Philip Trust Fund, attends a gala evening at Blazer's, Windsor, Berks, 7.45.

Princess Anne, Upper Warden of the Worshipful Company of Farriers, attends a luncheon given by the Wardens for the Master of the Company at the House of Commons, SW1, 12.30; and later attends a Court meeting of the Company at the Innholders Hall, 3.25, before attending a reception of the London Schools Horse Society to mark the 20th anniversary of the first curriculm riding lessons in State Schools, at the Martini Terrace, Haymarket, 6.30.

The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester attend the Festival of Architecture, 'The Masque Britannia Preserv'd' at the Royal Academy of Arts, Piccadilly, 8.10.

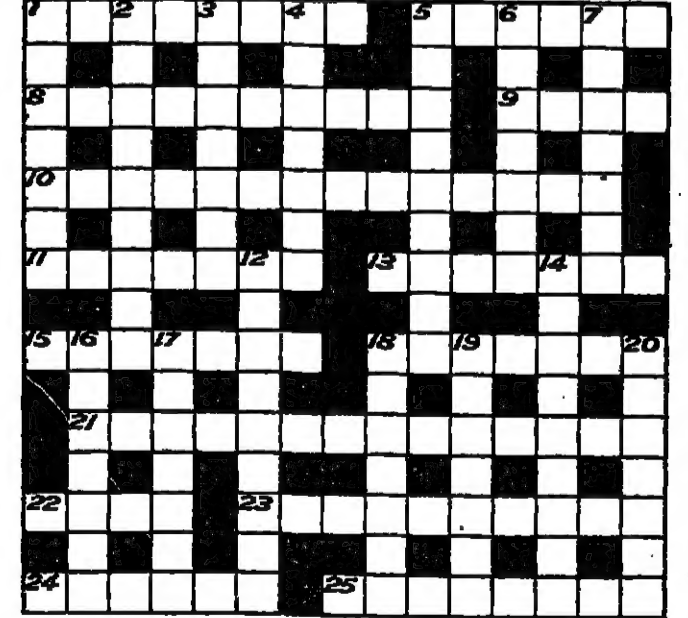
The Duke of Kent, president of the All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club, accompanied by the Duchess of Kent, attend the championship at Wimbledon, 1.55.

Nature notes

On woodland edges, tree pipits are still in full song. They fly up from a branch, then descend like a floating basket, tail up, wings lifted, and feet lowered. The thin notes they utter as they fall turn into a rich canary-like trill once they have landed on the branch again. Chiffchaffs are still singing, but between each run of loud, chinking notes they now insert a low muttering, not heard in the spring. Blackcaps and garden warblers with young keep up a persistent alarm-call in the treetops, so loud that it might be mistaken for the cry of a bird as big as a hawk.

Elder flowers and dog-roses fill the hedges, the roses cover their bushes from the top to the ground. The yellow stars of creeping cinquefoil spread on the roadside. In dark woods, the sparkling white flowers of sanicle rise out of large buttercup-like leaves. There are fresh pink leaves on the field-maples, and pink clusters of keys on many sycamore trees. Small green fruit is appearing on the wild cherries. Where last year's dry leaves still lie thick, there is a constant crackle of sound from moving ants and spiders. DJM

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16,465



ACROSS

1 Punish a Sodom, say, for greed (8).
5 In Mayfair a trap for deer (6).
8 It will aid surveyors – ie, do the lot, perhaps (10).
9 What to do if mine lacks this opening, say? (4).
10 A complaint, but not by ladies of standing (10,4).
11 Commonplace surroundings for French art in Italy (7).
13 One embarking on a residential course, perhaps (7).
15 Set out to irritate, lacking ideas (7).
18 Underwriter's symbol wrongly called one (7).
21 Late arrival of an industrious rector? (9,5).
22 Found to be the principal ingredient (4).
23 Mountain on which the French eat this? (10).
24 Fish in this vessel? An awkward situation (6).
25 Taxing to adjust evaluation thus (8).

DOWN

1 Set of teeth? There may be a catch in it (7).
2 Bias associated with a company of lions? (9).
3 Registered rise accepted by colonels – strange chaps (7).
4 Farming up to one's declining years (7).
5 It may give an edge to the news broadcast (9).
6 Left a girl in Puerto Rico, the schemer! (7).
7 Sound attempt! Military engineers build a ship (7).
12 Dummy accepts poor role – fair enough (9).
14 "Himself the primrose path of —— treads" (*Hamlet*) (9).
16 One with a will to set up a gallery (7).
17 It can be beaten as a place of seclusion! (7).
18 Extremely keen, we hear, to produce seasoning (7).
19 Last month, made maps – now, makes off (7).
20 Direct speech (7).

The Solution of Saturday's Prize Puzzle No. 16,464 will appear next Saturday

CONCISE CROSSWORD PAGE 8

Parliament today

Commons (2.30): London Regional Transport Bill, Lords amendments. Dartmoor Commons Bill, second reading.

Lords (2.30): Trade Union Bill, committee, second day.

Walks

Today: The London of Charles Dickens, meet Holborn Underground, 10.30. London's palaces, meet Embankment Underground, 2. In the footsteps of Sherlock Holmes, meet Embankment Underground, 7.30.

Tomorrow: Evil London: crime through the ages, meet St Paul's Underground, 11. Lawyers' London, meet Blackfriars Underground, 2. Haunted London, meet Covent Garden Underground, 7.30.

Wednesday: Tower Precincts and St. Katherine's Dock, meet Tower Hill Underground, 11. Roman London, meet outside Museum of London, 2.30. Sherlock Holmes mystery tour, meet Baker St Underground, 7.30.

Bond winners

Winning numbers in the weekly draw for Premium Bond numbers are: £100,000: 25RK 989261 (the winner lives in Oxford). £50,000: 7WW 001531 (Dyfed). £25,000: 24RK 766594 (Herefordshire).

Pollen forecast

	Pollen count	Peak times
Aberdeen	–	–
Basildon	high	6 to 9 pm
Bath	high	3 to 6 pm
Belfast	–	–
Bradford	high	3 to 6 pm
Brighton	high	6 to 9 pm
Carlisle	–	–
Darlington	high	3 to 6 pm
Dudley	high	6 to 9 pm
Edinburgh	–	–
Exeter	high	9 to m'night
Glasgow	med	3 to 6 pm
Hull	high	3 to 6 pm
Leeds	high	3 to 6 pm
Lincoln	high	3 to 6 pm
London	high	9 to 9 pm
Maidstone	high	6 to 9 pm
Norwich	high	6 to 9 pm
Preston	low	3 to 6 pm
Reading	–	–
Rotherham	high	3 to 6 pm
Runcorn	med	3 to 6 pm
Salford	high	3 to 6 pm
Southampton	high	6 to 9 pm
Swansea	high	3 to 6 pm
Tewkesbury	high	6 to 9 pm
Warwick	high	6 to 9 pm

* except during rain

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Roads

Wales and the West: A4042 (Gwent): Newport to Pontypool, Abbey roundabout, Lantarnum, temporary traffic lights. A470 (Gwent): Newport to Pontypool, Abbey roundabout, Lantarnun, temporary traffic lights. A470 (south Glamorgan): bridge repairs to North End fly-over, north-bound carriageway single lance traffic. M5 (Gloucester): contraflow on Northbound carriageway between junction 14 (Dupsley/Thornbury) and junction 2 (Gloucester), Southbound entry slip road closed at junction 13 (Stroud).

Midlands: M1 junction 16 to 18 contraflow, Watford Gap services closed. Serious delays.

A52 Nottingham: Grantham Road at Muston Bends, single line traffic.

North: M180: Scunthorpe by-pass between junctions 3 and 4 L/H lane closure, roadworks. A1 (Northumberland): Brownyside, near N Charlton, roadworks. A6127 (Tyne and Wear): Tyne Bridge, major maintenance work.

Scotland: M73: between junctions 2 and 1 replacing road markings, lane closures. A8: Lanarkshire, E of Shawhead (A725) surface repairs, eastbound carriageway closed. M74: Junctions 2 to 5 planning and resurfacing various lane closures on motorway and slip roads.

Information supplied by the AA

Wimbledon travel

Special buses will run from Southfields Tube station and Wimbleon station, both on the District Line, from 8 am until close of play every day until Sunday, 8 July. Extra Underground trains will run on the District Line between High St Kensington and Wimbledon.

Anniversaries

Births: Walter Nernst, chemist, *Nobel laureate 1920*, Briesen, Germany, 1864; Louis, 1st Earl Mountbatten of Burma, Frogmore House, Windsor, 1900; George Orwell, Motihari, India, 1903.

Deaths: Ernest Theodor Amadeus Hoffman, writer, composer and carcicaturist, Berlin, 1822; Sir Lawrence Alma Tadema, painter, Wiesbaden, Germany, 1912; Thomas Eakins, painter, Philadelphia, 1916.

The pound

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	1.63	1.56
Austria Sch	27.90	26.30
Belgium Fr	80.75	76.75
Canada $	1.83	1.76
Denmark Kr	14.41	13.71
Finland Mkk	8.32	7.92
France Fr	12.00	11.50
Germany DM	3.93	3.74
Greece Dr	157.00	148.00
Hongkong $	11.07	10.47
Italy Lira	2410.00	2310.00
Japan Yen	335.00	319.00
Netherlands Gld	4.44	4.22
Spain Pta	216.50	206.50
Sweden Kr	11.50	11.00
Switzerland Fr	3.28	3.11
USA $	1.41	1.36
Yugoslavia Dnr	187.00	177.00
Ireland	1.29	1.23

London: The *FT* Index closed down 7.4 at 811.7 on Friday.

New York: The Dow Jones industrial average closed at 1131.07 on Friday.

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Add these together to determine your weekly *Portfolio* total.

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You must have your card with you when you telephone.

If you are unable to telephone someone else can claim on your behalf but they must have your card and call *The Times Portfolio* claims line between the stipulated times.

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Weather

A weak frontal trough will lie across UK from N Ireland to Kent.

6 am to midnight

London, SE, Cen N England, E Midlands: Rather cloudy, perhaps some rain at first, sunny intervals developing, wind W moderate to fresh, max temp 20C (68F).

E Anglia, E England: Mainly dry, sunny periods, wind W moderate to fresh, max temp 22C (72F).

Cen S, SW England, Channel Islands, Wales: Sunny periods, some coastal drizzle, wind W moderate to fresh, max temp 22C (72F).

W Midlands: Sunny periods, wind moderate to fresh, max temp 22C (72F).

NW Endland, Lake District, Isle of Man, NW SW Scotland, Argyll, N Ireland: Rather cloudy, outbreaks of drizzle, perhaps some sunny intervals, wind W moderate to fresh, max temp 17C (63F).

NE England, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Glasgow, Cen Highlands, Moray Firth: Mainly dry, sunny periods, wind W moderate to fresh, Max temp 20C (68F).

NE Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Rather cloudy, rain or drizzle at times, wind NW light to moderate, max temp 15C (59F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Tuesday: Mainly dry with sunny intervals in most of England and Wales, some rain at times in Scotland, N Ireland and NW England.

SEA PASSAGES: S North Sea, Straits of Dover: Wind W or NW moderate or fresh, rain at times, visibility moderate, sea slight of moderate. English Channel (E), of Greorges Channel: Wind W or NW moderate or fresh, mainly fair, visibility moderate or good, sea light or moderate. Irish Sea: Wind W NW moderate or fresh, rain at times, visibility moderate with fog patches, sea slight or moderate.

Sun rises: 4.44 am Sun sets: 9.22 pm
Moon rises: 2.22 am Moon sets: 5.32 pm
New Moon: June 29.

Lighting-up time

London 9.52 pm to 4.15 am
Bristol 10.1 pm to 4.25 am
Edinburgh 10.33 pm to 3.58 am
Manchester 10.12 pm to 4.11 am
Penzance 10.06 pm to 4.44 am

Yesterday

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

		C	F			C	F
Belfast	f	14	57	Guernsey	–	–	–
Birmingham	c	14	57	Inverness	c	14	57
Blackpool	f	14	57	Jersey	f	17	63
Bristol	c	17	63	London	c	17	63
Cardiff	f	17	63	Manchester	c	14	57
Edinburgh	f	16	61	Newcastle	c	15	59
Glasgow	c	14	57	Ronaldsway	r	13	55

London

Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 19C (66F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 10C (50F). Humidity: 6 pm, 56 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, 18in. Sun: 24hr to 6 pm, 9.3. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 1022.2 millibars rising.

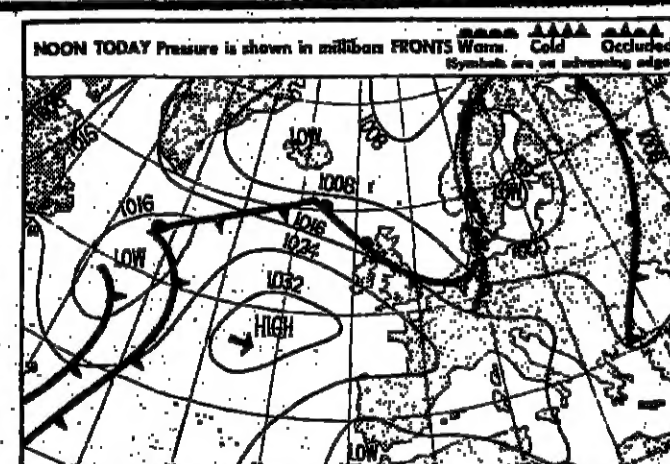
Saturday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 20C (68F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 11C (52F). Humidity: 6 pm, 49 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, .01in. Sun: 24hr to 6 pm, 9.7hr. Bar, mean sea level: 6 pm, 1014.8 millibars, falling. 1,000 millibars = 29.53.

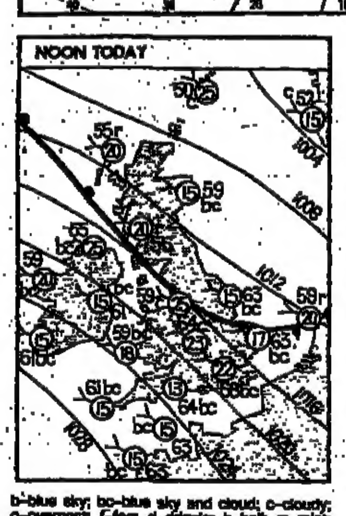
Highest and lowest

Yesterday: Highest day temp: Southampton 20C (68F); lowest day max: Cape Wrath 11C (52); highest rainfall: London 0.18 in; highest sunshine: Lerwick 13.3 hr.

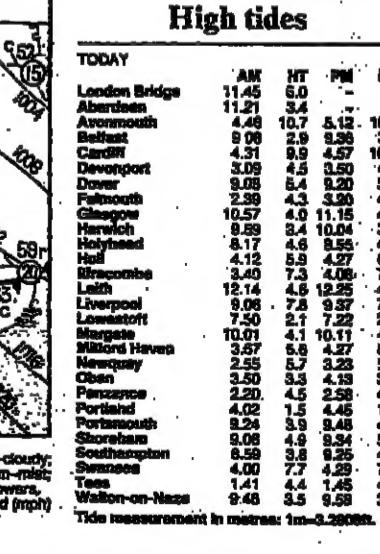
Saturday: Highest day temp: Bournemouth 21C (70F); lowest day max: *Fair* Isle 10C (50F); highest rainfall: Orsay, Westraugh 0.28 in; highest sunshine: Shanklin 12.7 hr.

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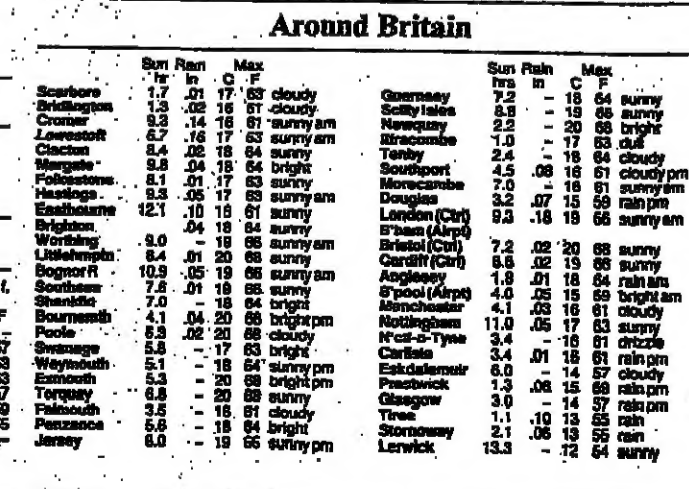




High tides



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